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Minister's MESSAGE

Minister of Social Services
The Honourable Edmund L. Morris

The abiding message of this and earlier annual editions of "Social Services in Nova Scotia" is the constantly-improving range and effectiveness of social services programs and supports for deserving Nova Scotians, notwithstanding the fiscal constraints that confront provincial and municipal governments and greatly-valued private, volunteer and community organizations.

Total expenditures of the Nova Scotia Department of Social Services, for the whole range of activities herein described, now amount to 90 cents a day per capita of Nova Scotia's population.

We are deeply indebted to the many volunteer citizens and skilled professionals who contribute so greatly to the fabric and quality of Nova Scotia life. We believe you will agree, on reading this publication, that the 90 cents a day is effectively and responsibly spent in the service of fellow-Nova Scotians.

Edmund L. Morris

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ORGANIZATION CHART — DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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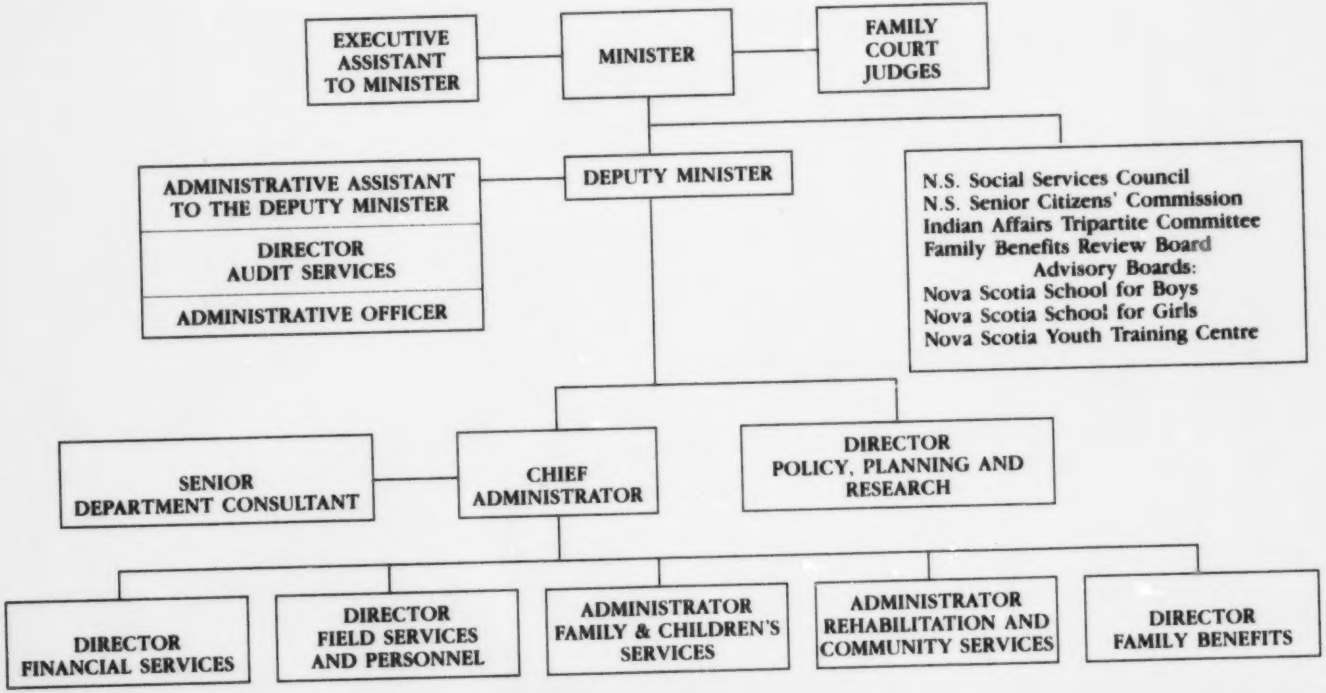
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FAMILY COURT JUDGES
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DEPUTY MINISTER
DIRECTOR AUDIT SERVICES
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
DEPUTY MINISTER
N.S. Social Services Council
N.S. Senior Citizens' Commission
Indian Affairs Tripartite Committee
Family Benefits Review Board
Advisory Boards:
Nova Scotia School for Boys
Nova Scotia School for Girls
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre
SENIOR DEPARTMENT CONSULTANT
CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR
DIRECTOR POLICY, PLANNING AND RESEARCH
DIRECTOR FINANCIAL SERVICES
DIRECTOR FIELD SERVICES AND PERSONNEL
ADMINISTRATOR FAMILY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES
ADMINISTRATOR REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIRECTOR FAMILY BENEFITS

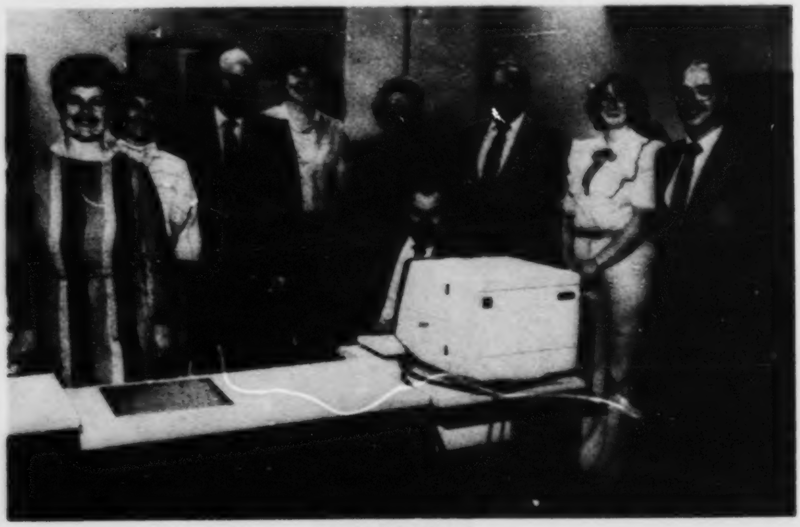
Ministers WHO HAVE SERVED THE DEPARTMENT SINCE ITS BEGINNING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Frank Roy Davis	1933 - 1948
Lauchlin David Currie	1948 - 1949
Alexander Hugh MacKinnon	1949 - 1950
Harold Connolly	1950 - 1954
Geoffrey Stevens	1954 - 1955
J. Clyde Nunn	1955 - 1956
Richard Donahoe	1956 - 1958
Malcolm Leonard	1958 - 1960
W.S.K. Jones	1960 - 1964
James M. Harding	1964 - 1968
Percy Gaum	1968 - 1969
Gordon A. Tidman	1969 - 1970
Allan E. Sullivan	1970 - 1972
William Gillis	1972 - 1973
Harold Huskilson	1973 - 1976
Bill MacEachern	1976 - 1978
Jack MacIsaac	1978 - 1979
Laird Stirling	1979 - 1981
Edmund L. Morris	1981 -

Deputy Ministers WHO HAVE SERVED THE DEPARTMENT SINCE ITS BEGINNING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Ernest H. Blois	Deputy Head	1933 - 1944
	Deputy Minister	1944 - 1947
Hiram S. Farquhar	Deputy Head	1947 - 1959
Fred R. MacKinnon	Deputy Head	1947 - 1959
	Deputy Minister	1959 - 1980
John Angus MacKenzie	Deputy Minister	1980 -

John Angus MacKenzie, Deputy Minister Department of Social Services



Staff of Deputy Minister

Recent Developments IN SOCIAL SERVICES

APRIL 1, 1984 TO MARCH 31, 1985

- The new Sydney Kinsmen Resource Centre was opened in Sydney with substantial financial assistance from the Department of Social Services and others.
- A new addition to the CAMR Workshop in Antigonish was opened in February, again with Department of Social Services assistance. The new facility will be used to process contract work provided by the new Philatelic Centre in Antigonish.
- The Department of Social Services employed 122 students from its own budget and an additional 379 students under the Provincial Employment Program in 1984.
- A special program of finding employment placements with business, non-profit agencies and government departments was instituted in 1984 for young disabled individuals.
- The department introduced and strengthened a Home Life Supports Program.
- The Department of Social Services issued a policy requiring a minimum Personal Use Allowance of $76 a month for all publicly-supported residents in Homes for Special Care.
- The Day Care Task Force Report recommendations were received and 16 of 17 major recommendations implemented, including an increase in the level of funding by $1.25 — an 85¢ increase in the maximum per diem rate and a 40¢ equipment grant, and increase in the subsidy allocation by 50 spaces to a total of 1910.
- A Program Specialist was added to Day Care Services staff.
- Decentralization of Family Benefits from Head Office to Cape Breton and Halifax Regional Offices took place in 1984.
- A major media campaign was undertaken in respect to child abuse in the province.
- Adult Protection Legislation was introduced and passed at the Spring 1985 Session of the House of Assembly.
- Judge William Kelly resigned from the Family Court after being appointed to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia. J. Vernon MacDonald was appointed Judge of the Family Court of Nova Scotia in his place.
- A Cabinet Commitee on Aboriginal Affairs, which includes the Ministers of Education, Health, Labour and Manpower, Lands and Forests, the Attorney General, and the Minister of Social Services as chairman, was established.
- Judge W. Marshall Black was appointed Chief Judge of the Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia.
- Provincial Family Benefits reached and passed $100 million per year.
- Two additional Transition Houses in Pictou and Yarmouth opened, bringing to five the number of such houses in the province; a sixth was approved in principle.
- The Young Offenders Act came into effect in April 1984, under Department of Social Services' responsibility, for ages 12 to under 16.

Advisory Boards

Nova Scotia Social Services Council

Reverend Vincent Ihasz, Chairman
Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Executive Secretary

With a membership of citizens drawn from different areas of the Province, the mandate of the Nova Scotia Social Services Council is to provide advice to the Minister on any matter relating to social services.

During the fiscal year 1984-85 the Council held four meetings and the Executive six meetings. At one of Council's meetings, held in Amherst, Cumberland County, community agencies and organizations had an opportunity to make presentations.

Topics discussed by Council throughout the year were many and varied, including:

- home care for the elderly
- Homes for Special Care
- social assistance for single fathers
- services for transients
- elder abuse
- residential services for children
- Young Offenders Act
- sexual abuse of children
- volunteerism
- food banks
- low income housing
- open adoption

On several occasions Council and/or the Executive met with, or made written submission to, the Minister of Social Services on specific topics.

As in the previous year Council was again asked by the Minister to seek and review submissions from community social services agencies for the funding of training programs for volunteers. Two agencies--United Mission, Sydney, and Family Services of Lunenburg County--were granted $500 each for such training.

The resource centre on volunteerism was completed as part of the departmental Library and a catalogue of the available resource material developed. The catalogue was distributed to social service agencies and organizations throughout the province.

In December 1984, the Council was asked by the Minister to review and make recommendations relating to the Department's response to the report "Sexual Offences Against Children" (the Badgley Report). A subcommittee of Council was appointed and has been working diligently to prepare a report. This committee is expected to complete its task by June 1985.

Concern was expressed to Council on several occasions by community groups about the adequacy of social assistance and the increasing demands on churches and other related organizations to provide food, clothing and shelter to recipients, transients and low income families. As a result, Council initiated a survey of churches in the Halifax-Dartmouth area to determine the extent of the assistance being provided and the increase, if any, that has occured over the last few years. The survey will be completed in September 1985.

During the year a member of Council participated in the provincial Conference on Aging and the Aged. As well, the Chairman was invited by the Minister to sit on an Inter-departmental Committee reviewing Family Benefits legislation.

Members of the Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission

Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission

Mr. Jack Glassey, Chairman
Mr. Allan Clark, Co-ordinator

The Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission was established in 1972 under the Senior Citizens' Social Services Act. The commission consists of 19 private citizens, many of them seniors, who come from all parts of the Province and are appointed by the Executive Council for three years or for a shorter term. Representatives from the departments of Education, Health and Culture, Recreation and Fitness, and the Senior Citizens' Secretariat also participate in Commission meetings, bringing the total membership to 22.

The mandate of the Commission is to:

- conduct, direct and promote fact-finding studies and research related to aging
- seek out and encourage people interested in providing voluntary services to citizen groups concerned with aging
- promote new activities and social services for senior citizens through voluntary agencies and all levels of government
- review existing legislation and government programs and make recommendations as to how these may be improved to provide better services for senior citizens
- perform any duties assigned by the Governor-in-Council or the Minister of Social Services.

During the 1984-85 fiscal year, the Commission met on five occasions and the Executive met four times. Some of the activities undertaken by the Commission during the year were:

- participation on the Planning Committee for the Nova Scotia Conference on Aging and the Aged held at Antigonish in June of 1984. Some members of the Commission also attended the conference.
- meetings with the staff of St. Francis Xavier University, Department of Continuing Education, University of Ste. Anne, Acadia University, Mount Saint Vincent University, and Dalhousie University to discuss their research and academic programs in the area of gerontology, and the interaction of seniors in the community with the universities. The Commission will submit a report and recommendations to the Minister of Social Services in the Fall of 1985.
- the planning, preparation and sponsorship of the first Post-retirement Seminar in the province in June 1985. This will help program planners design such activites in the future.

Family and Children's Services Division

W.D. Greatorex, R.S.W., Administrator

The Family and Children's Services Division is organized so that each of the four program areas is established as a section within the Division, and is under the general supervision of a director.

Family and Children's Services.

This program is responsible for traditional child welfare services, including child protection services, children in care and custody, adoption services, and services to single parents. In four counties, and the city of Dartmouth, these programs are provided by department staff, while throughout the remainder of the province private Children's Service Agencies are responsible for the delivery of these services. (See Tables 1 and 2)

Special Protection Services.

This program includes services provided to children who have been charged under the Young Offenders Act (and includes the operation of two training schools) and also is responsible for the non-legal services of the Family Court (e.g., enforcement, intake and counselling) in certain locations.

Staff of Family and Children's Services Division

Day Care Services.

Personnel in this program are responsible for the licensing of all pre-school programs caring for four or more children, and administering the subsidy program that is available to families placing children in registered centres.

Homemakers Services.

This program is responsible for the support and monitoring of homemakers services that exist across the Province and for the administration of the grants which the Province makes available to such organizations.

A few highlights of the Family and Children's Services Division for the 1984/85 fiscal year that are worthy of special note include the following:

- The Young Offenders Act was implemented for young people between the ages of 12-15. The administration of programs for this age group rested with the Family and Children's Services Division. One significant result of these programs was the reduction in the number of custody dispositions during this year.
- Approval was received to change the purpose and operation of the Nova Scotia School for Girls in Truro and the Nova Scotia School for Boys in Shelburne. The facility in Truro will be redesigned to serve children requiring a residential setting pursuant to the provisions of the Children's Services Act. The facility in Shelburne will become an open and secure custody facility for young male and female offenders.

- A major media campaign to encourage the public to report child abuse incidents resulted in a significant increase in the number of referrals received by Children's Services agencies. Major public colloquiums on child abuse were also held in Halifax and Cape Breton.
- Staff in the Homemaker's section played a major role in the development of the Home Life Supports Program during the year. The Home Life Supports Program is designed to broaden the traditional program of Homemaker's Services; every effort is made to help seniors, disabled persons and families at social risk so that they can remain in their own homes and family units can be kept together.

Family and Children's Services Section

Trevor Townsend, M.S.W., Director

The Family and Children's Services Section is responsible for providing the following services: protection services, children in care and custody, child caring facilities, services to unmarried mothers, adoption services, family counselling services, and transition houses.

Protection Services

Thirteen private agencies and five district offices of the Department of Social Services provide protection services under the Children's Services Act.

Protection services are the backbone of Family and Children's Services. The overall priority and philosophy of this service is to keep families together while protecting children from child abuse and neglect. The better the protection services provided in the community, the fewer children will be taken into care.

With all referrals, protection staff work to improve the functioning of families so that they can remain together. The protection worker uses various types of services to help families cope with their problems. Services include homemakers, day care, mental health units, public health units and family counselling. If the protection worker feels that the family cannot function well together and the child needs to be temporarily removed, Family and Children's Services can provide a placement for the child outside the home under a Voluntary Care Agreement. These agreements, under Section 8 of the Children's Services Act, are established for a specific period of time; they allow parents an opportunity to reassess their situation and re-establish their commitment to the the child. Voluntary Care Agreements have been used quite extensively throughout the Province and have become valuable in helping children receive foster home and/or group home services. (See Table 2).

When efforts to keep the family together are not working the protection worker has the option of taking the family before the Family Court under the Children's Services Act. The decision to take a family to court occurs when a protection worker believes the child is in physical or emotional danger if he/she remains in the home. The child can be taken into care and placed in either a foster home, group home, or residential centre until the final decision is made in the court. Throughout this process, the welfare of the child is paramount. In 1984-85 in the Province of Nova Scotia, there were 1141 taken into care. Of this number, only 216 children were taken into care and custody.

A Child Abuse Register has also been established. Under the Children's Services Act, anyone knowing of a child who appears to be in need of protection must report the situation to the local child caring agency. Once this report is investigated and the agency substantiates the abuse, the case is placed on the Child Abuse Register (Table 3). The goal is to protect the children involved and to help parents better meet their obligations to their children. For the calendar year 1984, 180 cases have been reported on the Child Abuse Register: 114 female and 66 male children. Of those reported to the Register, 40 were under three years of age, 34 were between four and six years of age, 51 were between seven and twelve years of age, and 55 were between twelve and seventeen years of age. In 70 instances of child abuse, where the perpetrator was indentified, criminal charges were laid. One child died as a result of child abuse in 1984.

Children in Care and Custody

The care and custody program involves both planning for and supervising children whose legal guardianship has been transferred from the natural parent(s) to either a Children's Aid Society/Family & Children's Services Agency or to the Minister of Social Services through the Family Court. Although a variety of placements could have been used, approximately 891 of the children were placed in foster homes. In many cases, children were returned to their natural parent(s) when the parents were better able to provide for them. In other cases, when a family reunion was impossible, children were placed for adoption.

In 1984-85, 83 children in care and custody were legally adopted. The younger a child is coming into permanent care and custody, the more the likelihood the child will be placed in an adoptive home. The emphasis by an agency is to place the child in as permanent a home as possible. Unfortunately, the older a child is coming into care, the fewer are the chances that an adoptive home will be found. At the present time in Nova Scotia, approximately 76% of the children in permanent care and custody are over the age of 10 years (Table 1).

Over the past few years, the Department of Social Services has emphasized permanency planning for children in care and custody. The importance of planning for the child immediately upon his/her removal from the natural family is recognized. Once an agency feels a child cannot return to the natural family, then the next preferred option is adoption. If adoption does not seem feasible because of the age of the child or health problems, the next preferred option is a permanent life plan with a foster family. The Department of Social Services hopes that the "child drift syndrome" within the child care system will be totally eliminated through this process.

Children in care and custody are supported through the Department of Social Services by maintenance payments. These payments are broken down according to age in the following manner:

AGE	MONTHLY BOARD
0-9	$205.50
10-19	$235.50

This monthly board is paid to foster parents. Foster parents also receive a clothing allowance three times a year as follows:

AGE	AMOUNT	YEARLY
0-4	$111	$333
5-9	$187	$561
10+	$219	$657

Mr. W. D. Greatorex, Administrator of Family and Children's Services. Opening of Foster Parent Week

When a child had additional needs because of medical, emotional or dental problems, the Department may provide additional money for these purposes. Special needs are determined and paid on an individual basis as required.

In the areas serviced by Children's Aid Societies/Family and Children's Services Agencies, the maintenance payments may differ from those shown. The reason for the difference is that the Board of Directors of each agency has the authority to determine the overall breakdown of maintenance payments. In 1984-85, there were 1,319 children in care and custody in Nova Scotia (Table 4).

Child Caring Facilities

There are 17 privately operated child caring facilities in the Province and three additional facilities operated by the Department of Social Services. In most of the private facilities, the operating costs are covered 100% by the Department of Social Services and the municipalities. Programs for the children vary with each facility and an attempt is made to place the child in a facility with a program that meets his/her needs. On March 31, 1985, there were approximately 136 children residents in child caring facilities. (Table 4, Charts 1, 2).

A major change in child caring facilities for the Province took place in 1984-85 with the advent of the Young Offenders legislation. The decision was made to move the Nova Scotia School for Girls from the correctional stream to the Family and Children's Services program. The facility will be called the Nova Scotia Residential Centre and will be used for children who require time away from their home in order to help them regain control over their behaviour.

A steering committee has been formed, chaired by William Greatorex, Administrator of Family and Children's Services. Under the steering committee, there are two other subcommittees operating, one internally within the school itself and another committee representative of the field. The goal is to start accepting referrals from the community by September 1, 1985 at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre.

Children will be referred to the Nova Scotia Residential Centre through an admissions committee. It is expected children will no longer be sent to the facility in Truro through the courts. The change in the school in Truro is a significant step forward in providing services to children who have problems coping in the community and who require a period of time to set their lives in order.

Services to Unmarried Mothers

Services are provided to single parents to help them plan for themselves and their children before or after the birth of a child. A range of services are provided to ensure that the health, social and emotional needs of the single parent and child are met. In general, the mother's needs for service is more acute than the father's because of the physical and psychological aspects of pregnancy and the legal responsibilities which she carries for the child. Consequently, the services offered to the single parent are primarily geared towards meeting the needs of the mother and her child.

A comprehensive service to single parents touches upon the present (the crises of the pregnancy and what to do about it), the past (the circumstances that led to the pregnancy), and the future (how best to plan for the child and parent).

The single parent worker helps single parents move through the crisis by drawing upon their personal strength.

Children's Aid Societies/Family and Children's Services Agencies, the Department of Social Services, the Home of the Guardian Angel, and the Antigonish Diocesan Charities provided such services on a confidential basis to approximately 600 unmarried mothers who applied for counselling in 1984-85 (Table 5). Licensed maternity homes providing residential facilities to unwed mothers are the Home of the Guardian Angel (Halifax), Bethany Home for Girls (Halifax) and Parkdale House (Sydney).

Adoption Services

Nineteen social agencies provide adoption services in Nova Scotia. These include 13 Children's Aid Societies/Family and Children's Services Agencies, four district offices of the Department of Social Services and two child placing agencies operated under the auspices of the Catholic Dioceses of Halifax and Antigonish. The Department of Social Services also provides an Atlantic Adoption Exchange in Halifax where the registry of children needing adoption homes and approved adopting families wanting children is maintained.

The exchange provides communication and placement services amongst adoption agencies and pays particular attention to children with special needs. In 1984, there were 510 adoptions, 263 boys and 247 girls (Chart 3, Table 6). The number of adoptions listed on the adoption register increases substantially each year.

The Department of Social Services also maintains an adoption register for adoptees searching for their natural parents. The adoption register operates on a passive basis; individuals can write in seeking their natural parents or natural parents can write in seeking a child given up for adoption. Contact with either party is not initiated unless there is a record on file of the natural parent having indicated his/her interest in establishing a contact with the child. Non-identifying information is shared with the adult adoptee only. A discreet inquiry is permitted when there is a medical or psychiatric need to know or if the child was legitimate at birth. In 1984-85, approximately 745 post-adoption inquiries were received. Effective January 1, 1984, any person's adoption finalized after that date will have the right to a discreet inquiry upon reaching the age of majority, (Chart 4).

Family Counselling Services

Funding in the form of grants is provided for the family counselling programs by the Department of Social Services and the Family Services of Eastern Nova Scotia in the counties of Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou, Richmond, Inverness, Victoria and Cape Breton and to the Association for Family Life in Halifax, Dartmouth and Halifax County. These counselling services are used heavily to augment protection services. Family counselling services are funded in Children's Aid Society/Family & Children's Services Agencies in Lunenburg, Annapolis and Truro.

Transition Houses

The Department has provided assistance to the following five transition houses for battered women: Bryony House, since September, 1978; Cape Breton Transition House, since February, 1981; Tearmann Society, since November, 1984; Juniper House, since January, 1985; and Chrysalis House, since February, 1985.

The houses are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and provide temporary, safe shelter for physically and emotionally battered women and their children. Staff offer support, counselling, advocacy services and refer the residents to a wide range of community services.

Beginning January 1, 1983, the Department initiated an ongoing financial formula providing the houses with 75% of their approved budgets. The formula would also apply to other transition houses in the Province. The Department's contribution to transition houses for the calendar year 1984 is $427,137.

Social Services Minister Edmund Morris and Nova Scotia Teachers' Union President Brian McCabe jointly announcing publication of "What Every Teacher Should Know and Do About Child Abuse and Neglect" pamphlet.

Day Care Services for Children

Elizabeth Bisset-Sagar, R.S.W., Director

Day Care Services is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Day Care Act—Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1978, and Regulations. This implies the licensing, monitoring, and development of all day care facilities for children, both full-day and part-day programs, throughout Nova Scotia. On March 31, 1985, there were 324 licensed day care facilities in Nova Scotia (see Table 7). The result of this program is the provision of services pertinent to "a child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development, apart from the child's parents or guardian," Day Care Act & Regulations 2(a).

This service also processes applications for families who are applying for day care assistance, and provides subsidy payments to the 47 registered day care centres in Nova Scotia. Currently, 1,910 subsidized spaces are provided for children of families who qualify for financial assistance based on their social and economic need. On March 31, 1985, 1,622 families were receiving day care assistance for their children, who were enrolled in registered day care centres in the Province.

As of March 31, 1985, 47 registered day care centres and 277 privately operated day care facilities, both full-day and part-day, were licensed under the Day Care Act & Regulations (see Table 8). There were 38 privately operated new facilities and two new registered day care facilities who received a license from the Minister of Social Services enabling them to provide day care services for young children.

Besides the subsidy payments provided to the 47 registered day care facilities on behalf of the families who qualify for day care assistance, the Department provides a grant to the 33 child development centres, which are included in the total number of licensed facilities. The grant is to a maximum of 50% of their operating expenses based on the proportion of economically disadvantaged children attending the centre.

Task Force Report on Day Care

The Task Force was appointed by the Minister of Social Services in December 1982. The Report was submitted to Cabinet and approval was received in October 1983 for the 17 recommendations.

These recommendations covered four major areas: level of funding, staffing requirements for day care facilities, the need for additional subsidized spaces, and departmental support for day care facilities.

These recommendations were ready for implementation by April 1984 and were implemented as follows:

- *The level of funding* was increased by $1.25 per day, an 85¢ increase in the maximum per diem rate and a 40¢ equipment grant (see Table 9). This additional funding was provided April 1, 1984. As a result of the annual per diem rate review in November 1984, the maximum per diem rate provided to the 47 registered day care facilities is $12.30.
- *Departmental support.* The support mentioned specifically refers to one additional program staff member to work with the day care centres in developing meaningful programs for young children. The new position is entitled Program Specialist, and the appointment was made July 1, 1984. Personnel of the many centres that have now had contact with the Program Specialist have indicated that they appreciated having program consultation with such a person as well

as the opportunity to receive recommendations enhancing programs provided to the young children enrolled in their centres.

- *Additional subsidized spaces.* Requests from the centres were reviewed in relation to the needs expressed during the public meetings held in conjunction with the Task Force in March 1983. Thirty four of the 50 additional spaces were allocated to existing centres in the Dartmouth and Sydney area effective April 1, 1984. Two new registered centres were established as a result of this increase in subsidy allocation--Isle Madame Day Care in Richmond County and La Garderie Familiale De Clare Association in Clare, Digby County (see Chart 5).
- *Staffing qualifications--day care facilities.* An amendment to the Regulations under the Day Care Act - Section 21A (1-7) was made which states that effective April 1, 1987, the Chief Administrative Officer and one-third of the staff of each day care centre will be required to have completed a training program in early childhood education or the equivalent. Effective April 1, 1989, the requirement will extend to two-thirds of the staff in each of the licensed day care centres in Nova Scotia.
- *Provision of training grants were provided to staff* employed in licensed day care centres who wish to upgrade their qualifications in early childhood education. The grants are based on a maximum of 1/2 the cost incurred in the course registration at a recognized training program. Thirty staff in day care centres benefitted from these grants in 1984.
- *Workshops,* also for staff employed in day care centres, were held in the five geographical regions throughout the province. These workshops were overseen by the Program Specialist. The topics presented by various community personnel included program planning including music and movement, language development, nutrition, and preventive health, and understanding the development of the young child.

Nova Scotia is the only province to establish a Task Force on Day Care "to review the latest thinking and advocacy concerning day care", following the Second National Day Care Conference in Winnipeg in September 1982.

Child Development Services Training Program

Child Development Services is a joint endeavour of the Department of Social Services and the Department of Education, to provide training for anyone wishing to have a special qualification as a worker with young children in day care facilities. The program is based at the Nova Scotia Teachers' College, Truro, and the Froebel Training Centre, Princeport, Colchester County.

The program has three facets:

- *A two-year on-campus program.* The registration for 1984-85 for the on-campus program was 115 in the first year and 75 in the second year, for a total enrolment of 180 students, an increase of 30 from the previous year.

- *An extension program,* consisting of an evening a week within the student's own community, co-ordinated by a graduate of the program and Saturday sessions at the Froebel Training Centre. The extension program operated in 15 locations throughout Nova Scotia as well as the Froebel Training Centre. During the past year, there were 30 weekly evening sessions within the respective communities, and 15 Saturday sessions at the Froebel Training Centre. One hundred and seventy-five students were registered in the extension program in September, 1984, an increase of 55 students from the previous year.
- *A two-week summer program* in June at the Froebel Training Centre and Teachers' College. This program is viewed as an enrichment program for staff employed in day care facilities, as well as a requirement for students enrolled in Level IV of the extension program.

One hundred and ten students were registered in the summer program of June, 1984. The summer school staff included world renowned professors in the field of early childhood education from the United Kingdom and Florida who provided seminars and led small group workshops during the 14 days of the summer school.

The Child Development Services June 1984 summer school program was the 8th year that Child Development Services had a summer school program providing individuals with an opportunity to develop skills and better understand the young child.

Three of the seminar titles were "Poetry with Young Children", Ms. Joan Cass, formerly of the Institute of Education, London University, England; "Basics in Pre-School Programming", Dr. Gordon Eade, Professor, University of West Florida, Pensacola, U.S.A.; and "The Development of the Young Child", Alice Yardley, formerly of Nottingham University, England.

Homemakers Services

A. Stewart Brown, R.S.W., Director

Under the Homemakers Services Act and Regulations Chapter 5, 44 homemakers services programs have been established under the umbrella of services administered by the Family & Children's Services Division. Some 24 of these programs are delivered through municipal social service departments, eight through the Children's Aid Societies and 12 through the sponsorship of non-profit board managed community agencies. The impact of the program, as a resourceful social service and integral component of comprehensive family and children's services, continues to be evident through the Department's ongoing program evaluations.

The year 1984-85 was an exciting one for the Homemakers Services Program. A significant thrust in its development was made possible through the Home Life Supports Program announced on April 3, 1984.

Under that program, the Department has overall responsibility for coordinating Government's efforts to support needy senior citizens and the disabled who wish and are able to remain independent in their own homes and communities. This responsibility includes coordinating programs administered by Education, Health, Housing, Social Services and other provincial government departments.

The Home Life Supports Program, already well into the development phase, seeks to broaden the traditional program of homemakers services that was first introduced by the Department in 1978 to provide seniors, disabled persons and families at social risk with at-home services, ensuring that every effort is made to help people remain at home and to keep family units together.

The Home Life Supports Program includes the following initiatives:

- expansion of the present homemakers services program.
- establishment of a provincial demonstration fund of $200,000 to encourage and foster local creative and innovative self-help, community, inter-generational, volunteer efforts.
- establishment of a program of cost-sharing with municipalities to a maximum of $400 per month per qualified family, for in-home support services. Provision of financial assistance to needy senior citizens and disabled people for in-home support services remains a municipal responsibility in law. Each municipality, as a condition of consideration of funding support from the Province by way of cost sharing, is required to submit a separate proposal.

Approximately 3800 clients benefited from subsidized Homemakers Services as of March 31, 1985.

The percentage of homemakers consumers in the senior age range (65 years upward) continues to be high (88-90%). The in-home support component of the Home Life Supports program allowed approximately 370 additional seniors to remain in their own homes, preventing or delaying their admission to Homes for Special Care.

As a result of the Home Life Supports initiatives by March 3[illegible] 1985 some 76 homemakers were added to an existing direct front line homemaker staff complement of 151 for the Province. These new homemakers are former recipients of either Family Benefits or Municipal Social Assistance.

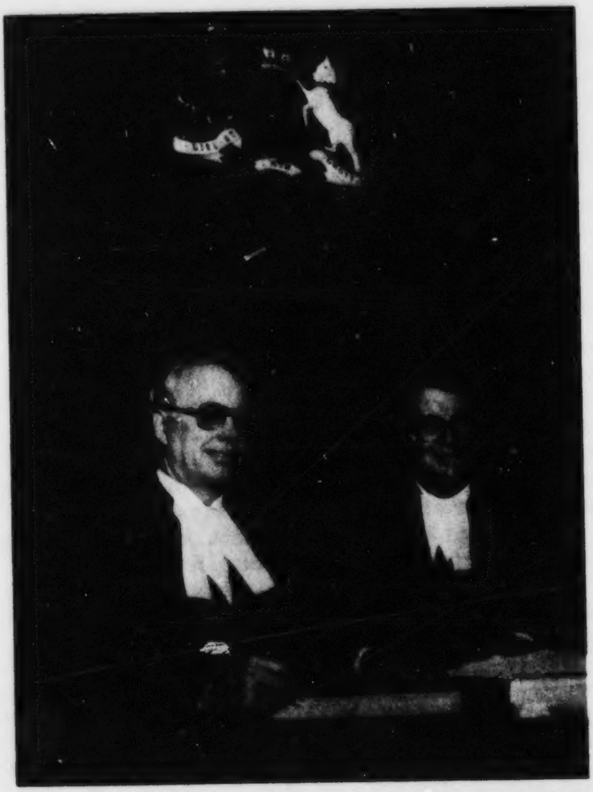
Under the "Demonstration Grants" initiative, 14 proposals were approved by March 31, 1985.

The financial sharing for homemakers services is based on a minimum of 75% provincial contribution; the expenditures cited below effectively represent only 75% of the total expenditures on homemakers services for Nova Scotians.

The financial commitment to the development of the Homemakers Services program and the additional financial thrust forward as a result of the Home Life Supports Program announcement is as follows:

YEAR	BUDGET
1978	$ 200,000
1979-80	878,000
1980-81	1,286,000
1981-82	1,914,600
1982-83	1,769,300
1983-84	1,875,500
1984-85	2,038,700

plus $1,249,000 for Expanded Homemakers
plus $200,000 for Demonstration Projects
plus $1,000,000 for In Home Support



Chief Justice the Honourable Ian MacKeigan and Chief Judge W. M. Black of the Family Court, at Judge Black's swearing in ceremony as Chief Judge.

Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia

The Family Court provides the following services: Judicial, Intake, Counselling, Enforcement and Special Protection Services. Under the authority of the Department of Social Services, the non-judicial services are the direct responsibility of the regional administrators. In the larger Court centres of Halifax and Sydney, the day to day operation of the Court is the responsibility of the Court Supervisors, who report to the Regional Administrator in the particular region. A brief description of the Court Services follows.

Judicial

The Family Court Act became law in 1963 and was proclaimed throughout the Province of Nova Scotia in November 1971. The Family Court is a Court of summary procedure with jurisdiction in family matters including maintenance, child protection and young offender services. Although it is primarily judicial in scope, the Court is concerned with the fundamental relationships of the family, in that it acts as a conciliator in family problems and as a protector of the rights of clients coming before the Court. The primary goal of the Family Court is to provide quality services, specializing in family law complemented by related social and enforcement services. The Family Court is responsible for hearing and disposing of matters under the following legislation, as assigned by the Family Court Act and Amendments:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Employment of Children Act
- Children's Services Act
- Young Offenders Act (Federal)
- Education Act
- Sections 168 and 197 of the Criminal Code of Canada
- Sections 245, 745 and 746 of the Criminal Code of Canada where the parties involved are husband and wife or parent and child
- Sections of the Solemnization of Marriage Act relating to the consent of persons under the age of 16 years to marry and the performance of marriage
- Infants Custody Act
- Such other Acts or matters as the Governor-in-Council may from time to time deem appropriate.

Family Court Judges are designated a Youth Court Judge for the purpose of the Young Offenders Act proclaimed as law on April 2, 1984.

Louis B. Edwards resigned as Chief Judge during the fiscal year and officially retired on September 30, 1984. W. Marshall Black assumed the position of Chief Judge effective June 15, 1984. On May 1, 1984, William Kelly was appointed Family Court Judge but resigned his judgeship upon being appointed to the bench of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia late in the fiscal year. J. Vernon MacDonald was appointed Family Court Judge replacing Judge William Kelly.

There is at present a complement of 12 Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia who can hold proceedings throughout the Province. It is customary for each Judge to be assigned a particular geographical area as follows:

W. Marshall Black, Chief Judge — Annapolis and Kings counties
J. Vernon MacDonald — Cape Breton and Victoria counties
Robert Ferguson — Cape Breton and Richmond counties
T. Daniel Tramble — Richmond, Inverness, Antigonish, Guysborough, Colchester, Pictou counties
Robert White — Pictou and Cumberland counties
Raymond Bartlett — Dartmouth, Colchester, Hants counties
Elizabeth Roscoe — Halifax
Robert J. Butler — Halifax
Louis E. Moir — Halifax
Paul S. Niedermayer — Dartmouth, Lunenburg, Hants counties
Timothy J. Daley — Dartmouth
John D. Comeau — Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens and Digby counties

The Family Court is located in nine centres across the Province in Amherst, Antigonish, Dartmouth, Halifax, New Glasgow, Kentville, Port Hawkesbury, Sydney and Yarmouth.

At each Court centre, there is a courtroom(s) and office(s) for the Judge(s) and (the) Court staff.

In other areas of the Province, Court is held on a circuit basis in the following areas: Arichat, Baddeck, Barrington, Bridgewater, Digby, Guysborough, Liverpool, Lunenburg, Middleton, Port Hood, Shelburne, Sherbrooke, Shubenacadie, Truro and Windsor.

Statistics regarding application and dispositions for specific legislation are depicted in Table 10.

Intake

Intake determines and assesses the nature of a problem and initiates the most appropriate action. In the three Court centres (Halifax, Dartmouth and Sydney), intake services are provided by social workers while in the other areas of the Province, Family Court Officers are primarily responsible for these services.

Counselling

Short-term counselling is offered to clients of the Family Court by being referred for counselling by Judges of the Court through personnel contact or by referral by another social agency. Families or individuals requiring long-term counselling services are referred to appropriate services in the community.

Enforcement

The Enforcement section of the Family Court oversees the collection of monies ordered by the Court under appropriate legislation. In each of the three Court locations (Halifax, Dartmouth and Sydney), there is a Senior Family Court Officer who is primarily responsible for this aspect of the Court's operation. Total collections for the year amounted to $12,671,623.95 (see Table 11).

Special Protection Services

John T. MacKinnon, Director

The provision of services to young persons ages 12-15 in conflict with the law is the responsibility of Special Protection Services, Family and Children's Services.

The fiscal year was a historical landmark for services to young persons in Nova Scotia. On April 2, the Young Offenders Act (Federal) was implemented. It repealed the Juvenile Delinquents Act (Federal) which was initially proclaimed as law in 1908 and had served as a basis for services to young persons in conflict with the law. The Juvenile Delinquents Act was viewed by the public and private sectors involved with the juvenile justice system as necessitating amendments in the past thirty years, in order for the Act to be relevent with major changes in all services to youth.

The first major thrust to amend the Juvenile Deliquents Act was in 1962. In January of that year, the then Minister of Justice, the Right Honourable Lucian Cardin, set in motion a national committee to study delinquency in Canada; its findings, published in 1965, included 100 specific recommendations to amend the existing legislation.

In 1975 a bill was introduced in the Federal Legislature, titled Young Persons in Conflict with the Law; however, it never received Royal Assent.

In 1979 new legislation, the Young Offenders Act, was drafted and underwent substantial changes. It was introduced in 1982 and received Royal Assent the same year. The Act established a uniform age limit for young offenders in Canada, 12-17. Proclamation occurred in two stages: for 12-15 year-olds on April 2, 1984 and for 16 and 17 year-olds on April 1, 1985.

The Young Offenders Act reflected a number of recommendations made by the national report committee published in 1965 such as:

- a uniform age across Canada. It raised the previous minimum age of 7 to 12 and the upper age to 17.

- a change in name of the Act — Juvenile Delinquents Act to Young Offenders Act.
- that the young person be found guilty of a particular offence and not found to be in a state of delinquency as was previously done under the Juvenile Deliquents Act.

As well, the basic philosophy of the new Act heralds a new approach to young offenders, keeping in mind their special needs and maturation level. The Act expressed the need for the protection of society, the accountability and responsibility of the young person as relates to violation of the law, and as well affords due process of the law with total legal representation. The Act emphasizes community involvement, deals specifically with the breach of federal laws, and excludes provincial offences and violation of municipal by-law ordinances.

The Department held training sessions for staff in Special Protection Services the previous fiscal year (1984) and appropriate designations for facilities and staff were made before the actual proclamation date.

During the present fiscal year, work has focused on development of provincial legislation to set in place procedures to deal with young people violating provincial and municipal laws. Work has also been underway to develop an effective procedure for handling youth up to age 12 who violate Federal Statutes.

The Department of Social Services continued to meet with federal representatives during the fiscal year to reach agreement for cost-sharing purposes for the new Federal Act.

Other highlights of the fiscal year were as follows:

- A Federal/Provincial Advisory Committee was appointed to oversee the development of four community programs with emphasis on community involvement. These programs were alternative measures, community service orders/fine option, volunteer programs, and public information.
- A feasibility study was undertaken to determine an information system to meet the legislative mandate of the Young Offenders Act especially in the areas of tracking and destruction of youth records.
- Approval was received for the development of two community-based open custody, assessment facilities.

In February 1985, the Minister announced one of the most significant changes in services to young offenders and other youth of Nova Scotia: a change in mandates for the two Training Schools — the Nova Scotia School for Boys and the Nova Scotia School for Girls.

The Nova Scotia School for Boys will become a co-educational facility providing open and secure custody services for young offenders.

The Nova Scotia School for Girls will provide residential services to young people who have special needs pursuant to the Children's Services Act.

These new programs will be implemented as soon as physical and program changes are made to accommodate male and female residents at both facilities.

Nineteen Social Service workers, under the supervision of casework supervisors, provide ongoing supervision and direction of youth placed on probation or maintained in foster homes or other congregate child caring facilities. The workers are responsible for preparing predisposition and progress reports. They also oversee other community dispositions made by the Court, pursuant to the Young Offenders Act, and are the liaison people between custodial facilities and the community in planning the eventual reintegration of youth back to their own homes.

Special Protection Services oversees the operation of three community residential centres and two group homes having a total capacity of 46 children. Two centres are co-educational, two have a capacity of 12, and the third has a capacity of 11 children.

One co-educational centre is located in Halifax and is operated by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. The second co-educational centre is located in Hebron and is operated by the Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth. A third residential centre, which is not co-educational, is located in New Waterford and is operated for adolescent boys by the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton.

One group home is located in Shelburne, has a capacity of six adolescent boys, and is staffed by group home parents. The second group home, which is co-educational, is operated by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in Halifax, and has a capacity of five.

In the fiscal year, a centralized on-line statistical program was implemented to capture appropriate data on young offenders in Nova Scotia which enhances the accuracy of statistics and replaces the manual compilation. Statistics on young offenders in Nova Scotia are depicted in Tables 12, 13, and 14.

Special Protection Services, in the year being reported, is responsible for the administration and operation of two custodial facilities within the Province under the day to day direction of the Superintendents at the Nova Scotia School for Boys and the Nova Scotia School for Girls.

The custodial facilities provide services to youth committed to custody under the Young Offenders Act, ensure the protection of society and provide a rehabilitative service to those in custody. They are designated as a place of safety under the Children's Services Act.

The programs in the facilities include a full academic program, a comprehensive recreational program, a group living environment, and individual counselling services through a social service component.

The annual reports submitted by the Superintendents of the training schools follow.

Nova Scotia School for Boys

Heikki Muinonen, Superintendent
Terrance Smith, Assistant Superintendent

During the fiscal year 1984-85, committals to the School for Boys fluctuated in an unprecendented manner. In the first two quarters there was a sudden upsurge in the population, followed by very few committals in the last two quarters. On April 1, 1984, there were 102 residents at the training school, compared with 69 the year before, and 135 residents two years ago. A total of 119 youths were committed during the year, which compares with 149 the year before and 156 two years ago. Of the 119 committals, 18 were to Secure Custody, 11 were committed to a term both in Secure and Open Custody, and 7 were committed to the Provincial Place of Safety. The total number of residents discharged was 145, compared with 116 the year before and 169 two years ago.

The past fiscal year was the first year of the Young Offenders Act. The greatly decreased number of children committed to the School for Boys for non-criminal offences, together with the fact that the Youth Court Judges imposed longer custody terms for serious offences, changed the nature of the resident population. The School for Boys has become a custody facility for young offenders, having clearly moved away from its previous child welfare orientation, both in terms of the nature of its population and of its program. This shift is likely to continue.

The average length of custody term at the training school was reduced from seven months to slightly over six months. The range of terms has widened considerably, varying from a few weeks to two years.

A small number of judicial reviews took place, and several appeal procedures were completed. The service provided by the Nova Scotia Legal Aid at the training school has proven to be a stabilizing and constructive approach to the question of reviews and appeals.

The temporary release program has been a remarkable success. Almost 1000 temporary releases were granted during the period, half of which were day releases. Only one temporary release was revoked and the total number of "failed" ones was well under one percentage point.

Forty-five residents escaped custody during the year. This compares with 36 residents the year before and 43 residents two years ago. Three individual residents were responsible for 11 of the 45 escapes.

The number of days care given was 25,403, down from 28,672 a year ago and from 30,197 two years ago. It is still difficult to say if this apparent trend will continue.

The number of youth committed to Secure Custody was much larger than expected. In all, 29 youth were committed to Secure Custody, 11 of whom were committed to a combination of Secure and Open Custody terms.

The institutional planning has concentrated on three main areas. Initial outlines were created for a larger Secure Custody Unit, with an approximate initial capacity of 25. The announced change in the status of the Nova Scotia School for Girls also meant planning for a female Young Offender Unit with an initial capacity of approximately 20. The educational program was changed and upgraded. Changes are required to meet the needs of the expected female population, and some general improvements are planned to increase the efficienty and responsiveness of the academic program.

The first year under the Young Offenders Act was a time of learning and adjustment at the School for Boys as it has been throughout the system. The new Legislation is perceived as offering a realistic and up-to-date basis for relating to the adolescent offender.

Nova Scotia School for Girls

William MacLeod, Superintendent
Marilyn Brookes, Assistant Superintendent

On April 1, 1984, the population at the Nova Scotia School for Girls was 38. This compared to a population of 47 one year ago. During the year 52 girls were committed and there were 58 remands, an increase over the previous year.

Of the 52 girls who were committed, 26 were to Open Custody, one to Secure Custody and 25 were to a Place of Safety. The total number of days care was 9200.

During the first part of the year under the Young Offenders Act, it was expected that the number of committals would increase. However, the number of girls coming to the School actually decreased. This was mostly due to the Province of New Brunswick setting up a program for its own girls.

The Minister's announcement regarding the new role for the Nova Scotia School for Girls resulted in committees being formed to review, develop and recommend any areas dealing with program changes. In the months ahead, the School will have the opportunity to develop a completely new program to assist children in the Province.

During the year the school maintained its regular programs. These included Summer Camp at Camp Blue Waters, the Track and Field Day, Annual Picnic, Winter Carnival, Sports Awards Day and the Christmas Tea and Sale. A Life Skills Manual was also completed, which will be used by counselling staff at the school.

Refer to Table 12 for other statistical information on the two training schools.

Table 1

Comparative Statistics Showing Services By Children's Aid Societies, Family and Children's Services and District Offices*

		Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
1.	(a) No. of children in care and custody on April 1, 1984	66	227	87	80
	(b) No. of children committed to care and custody during the period	9	21	12	11
	(c) No. of children placed under care by transfer of guardianship	—	—	—	—
	(d) No. of children transferred into region	—	—	—	—
	(e) Total of (a) (b) (c) (d)	75	248	99	91
	(f) No. of children whose care and custody ended during period				
	(1) by coming of age	7	22	7	13
	(2) by adoption	5	20	1	3
	(3) by marriage	2	1	—	2
	(4) by Court Order	3	10	23	4
	(5) by death	2	1	—	—
	(g) Transfers by legal guardianship	—	—	—	—
	(h) No. of children transferred out of region	—	—	—	—
	(i) Total of (f) (g) (h)	19	54	31	22
	(j) No. of children under care and custody on March 31, 1985	56	194	68	69
	(k) Total no. of children committed since society founding	824	3380	1057	1461
2.	**No. of children taken into care and custody during the period who were**				
	(a) Protestant	8	4	8	9
	Roman Catholic	1	16	4	2
	Others/No finding	—	1	—	—
	(b) Boys	4	14	7	2
	Girls	5	7	5	9
	(c) Children of unmarried mothers	—	3	1	2
	(d) Others in need of protection	9	18	11	9

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
210	45	31	83	74	93	27	47	65	45	140	36	25	63	1444
26	3	—	34	8	23	2	9	16	2	27	8	4	1	216
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
236	48	31	117	82	116	29	56	82	47	169	44	29	64	1663
26	7	5	13	8	7	2	2	12	4	15	5	3	7	165
16	4	2	10	2	1	1	3	1	1	8	—	6	—	84
1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	11
8	3	—	2	4	5	—	4	1	2	8	—	—	—	77
—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
51	14	8	26	14	14	4	9	15	8	31	7	9	8	344
185	34	23	91	68	102	25	47	67	39	138	37	20	56	1319
2487	789	27	1232	777	1418	498	480	863	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	15293
9	—	—	31	—	18	—	9	11	—	13	6	4	—	130
6	3	—	2	—	5	2	—	5	2	6	2	—	1	57
11	—	—	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	29
14	2	—	16	4	11	—	2	8	—	11	5	2	1	103
12	1	—	18	4	12	2	7	8	2	16	3	2	—	113
6	3	—	3	—	4	—	—	—	1	2	—	4	—	29
20	—	—	31	8	19	2	9	16	1	25	8	—	1	187

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(Table 1 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
3. No. of children under care at end of period who were				
(a) Protestant	46	77	54	63
Roman Catholic	10	111	14	6
Others/No finding	—	6	—	—
(b) Boys	26	115	42	29
Girls	30	79	26	40
(c) Under 5 years of age	1	11	3	5
5 and under 10 years of age	6	25	10	5
10 and under 15 years of age	18	49	24	26
15 and under 19 years of age	28	74	20	27
19 to 20 years of age	3	35	11	6
4. No. of children under care at end of period who were				
(a) in foster homes	40	141	48	48
(b) independent living/boarding homes	5	18	3	4
(c) in adoption probation homes	4	9	3	1
(d) in residential centres	1	2	—	—
(e) in child caring facilities N.S.H.C.C., Bairn, S.O.S. Village	—	—	2	—
(f) in N.S.S.B., N.S.S.G.	—	1	2	—
(g) in N.S. Youth Training Centre/ Children's Training Centres	1	3	3	3
(h) in free homes	—	—	—	—
(i) self-supporting	2	4	—	7
(j) with own parents	1	6	3	1
(k) in Independence Home	—	—	—	—
(l) in Group Homes	—	7	1	2
(m) other	2	3	3	3

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
85	23	5	84	29	67	23	41	37	4	63	24	8	32	765
65	6	17	5	7	35	2	6	30	35	52	13	12	16	442
35	5	1	2	32	—	—	—	—	—	23	—	—	8	112
91	17	12	46	39	53	14	21	36	21	84	16	7	35	704
94	17	11	45	29	49	11	26	31	18	54	21	13	21	615
11	1	3	8	1	11	—	1	10	4	18	1	2	2	93
24	2	3	15	3	16	1	5	11	4	17	9	1	1	158
55	10	5	24	22	22	9	17	13	8	36	14	3	18	373
80	12	10	37	33	43	13	19	30	9	56	10	11	32	544
15	9	2	7	9	10	2	5	3	14	11	3	3	3	151
123	25	11	55	52	77	20	27	49	35	68	21	14	37	891
21	—	5	5	1	4	2	—	1	—	13	5	1	6	94
14	—	6	8	2	3	—	—	5	—	7	3	3	—	68
1	1	—	1	2	2	—	1	1	—	4	1	—	2	19
1	—	—	3	—	—	—	7	—	1	6	—	—	1	21
3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	9
2	3	1	4	1	5	—	8	7	1	5	1	2	[illegible]	51
—	—	—	2	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8
3	3	—	1	6	1	—	1	2	1	1	1	—	2	35
4	—	—	5	—	4	2	2	1	—	3	1	—	3	36
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	3
10	1	—	2	—	3	—	1	1	—	5	1	—	1	35
3	1	—	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	24	2	—	1	49

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(Table 1 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
5. Volume of service in terms of cases active during fiscal year 84/85				
(a) adoptions				
(1) inquiries re agency adoption	69	60	23	34
(2) applications approved	5	35	10	8
(3) homes on wait list March 31, 1985	10	29	7	14
(4) adoption reports submitted: 1st report	20	76	36	18
(reports incl. agency 2nd report	19	77	40	19
and private) supplementary	2	6	8	—
(b) children taken into care April 1/84 - March 31/85				
(1) Registered Agreements Sect. 8 C.S. Act	31	52	23	14
(2) Registered Agreements Sect. 10 C.S. Act	1	12	8	4
(3) under Sect. 4.5.1 C.S. Act	13	36	19	10
(4) care and custody	9	21	12	11
(c) total number of children in care under (b) on March 31/85	65	219	87	81
(d) children being supervised from other provinces March 31/85	4	6	1	1
(e) children provided protection in own homes during year	305	1478	614	184
(f) foster homes				
(1) inquiries	72	43	27	37
(2) number of applications to foster approved	4	9	6	7
(3) number of foster homes in use March 31/85	50	117	36	48
(g) protection — abuse and neglect				
(1) number cases carried over April/1984	22	90	24	42
(2) number of new cases during year	54	503	77	70
(3) number of cases carried over March 31/85	43	197	24	49

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
273	24	24	23	24	12	2	15	24	37	98	1[illegible]	6	—	759
19	10	4	22	9	4	1	1	10	13	11	18	3	—	183
24	15	11	11	23	26	15	8	22	21	27	8	5	—	276
20	26	14	41	22	30	14	10	11	9	127	11	9	—	494
10	28	13	36	17	30	14	11	16	7	123	10	9	—	479
—	—	—	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	21
86	35	4	38	44	34	9	20	45	7	144	19	13	63	681
9	—	—	8	2	6	—	1	2	2	20	—	1	—	76
55	12	8	41	24	36	5	21	16	9	53	4	8	14	384
26	3	—	34	8	23	2	9	16	2	27	8	4	1	216
240	46	24	118	88	111	32	57	82	47	199	42	23	94	1655
1	1	—	1	4	1	—	—	1	—	11	—	—	—	32
722	543	288	620	384	428	108	243	474	400	779	342	138	316	8366
103	27	13	88	21	22	3	23	13	8	54	33	4	—	591
20	22	3	32	5	9	—	13	8	5	21	3	—	—	167
83	29	21	60	40	77	10	25	53	13	184	18	13	—	877
22	22	5	80	7	—	7	26	34	35	387	25	10	57	895
406	15	107	195	9	38	8	56	110	30	522	69	10	198	2477
16	16	3	88	10	15	12	43	51	46	330	41	11	107	1102

(Cont'd)

(Table 1 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
protection — family support				
(1) number of cases carried over April 1, 1984	37	126	53	9
(2) number of new cases during year	44	207	127	11
(3) number of cases carried over March 31, 1985	62	55	43	10
(h) number of miscellaneous intakes	—	11	89	266
(i) family counsellor intakes	38	—	85	43
(j) custody reports requested	4	19	3	6

* *Services to unmarried mothers noted on separate sheet.*

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
158	104	89	55	106	60	52	25	25	20	38	21	23	33	1034
153	76	66	120	65	116	5	26	59	19	78	37	27	99	1335
189	113	91	38	110	84	50	11	42	26	43	29	29	64	1089
81	13	22	263	111	12	50	—	6	—	28	8	65	5	1030
—	—	—	—	72	—	—	42	—	—	—	—	—	—	280
14	4	3	—	11	—	4	—	5	1	18	11	—	5	108

Table 2

Voluntary Care Agreements
Children's Services Act
Registered with Department of Social Services

1984-1985

Agency	Number of Agreements Signed	
	Section 8*	Section 10
F. & C.S. of Annapolis County	31	1
Antigonish Diocesan Charities	—	20
C.A.S. of Cape Breton	52	12
C.A.S. of F.S. of Colchester County	23	8
F. & C.S. of Cumberland County	14	4
C.A.S. of Halifax	86	9
F. & C.S. of Hants County	35	—
Home of the Guardian Angel	—	31
C.A.S. of Inverness-Richmond	4	—
F. & C.S. of Kings County	38	8
F. & C.S. of Lunenburg County	44	2
C.A.S. of Pictou County	34	6
F. & C.S. of Queens County	9	—
C.A.S. of Shelburne County	20	1
F. & C.S. of Yarmouth County	45	2
District Offices		
Antigonish	7	2
Dartmouth	144	20
Digby	19	—
Guysborough	13	1
Sackville	63	—
TOTAL**	681	127

* Extensions are not counted as separate agreements in the Section 8 totals.

** The totals on this table include agreements signed through the Antigonish Diocesan Charities and Home of the Guardian Angel.

Table 3

Child Abuse Register — Statistical Information

for the Calendar Years 1980-1984

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Total Number of Cases Recorded	31	45	65	89	180
Age Range of Children					
Under 3 yr. of age	12	18	15	26	40
4-6 yr. of age	9	8	15	26	34
7-12 yr. of age	5	11	21	21	51
12-16 yr. of age	5	8	14	22	55
Sex of Children					
Male	20	20	24	36	66
Female	11	25	41	53	114
Deaths	—	1	1	2	1
Cases Removed from the Child Abuse Register	1	3	3	—	1
Family Moved Out-of Province	—	3	4	1	—

	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Type of Abuse										
Physical	26	9	23	18	30	24	34	39	39	32
Emotional	—	—	—	5	3	3	2	1	6	5
Sexual	1	2	1	8	—	15	4	18	29	82
Child Abuse Prior to First Report to Agency	9	6	10	12	9	19	19	26	117	
Month Abuse Occurred										
January-March	2	3	6	4	6	10	9	13	21	31
April-June	7	—	3	9	6	11	11	14	12	26
July-September	5	6	6	6	7	8	8	11	12	25
October-December	6	2	5	6	5	12	8	15	21	32
Alleged Perpetrator										
Father	5	4	8	10	9	13	8	18	25	37
Mother	3	3	4	5	8	8	14	14	12	9
Stepfather	1	—	6	4	3	6	4	3	3	15
Stepmother	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Sibling	7	2	—	—	—	1	2	4	1	6
Other	7	1	3	7	8	14	12	19	31	49

	1980		1981		1982		1983		1984	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Referred by										
Self	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	3	10
Family	2	—	1	5	3	7	11	4	23	37
Neighbour	1	—	1	3	—	2	3	3	1	2
Social Agency	2	1	—	2	3	5	2	2	3	15
PHN/VON	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	1	1
Courts	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1
Schools	1	—	4	2	4	4	4	6	4	10
Hospital (Physician)	20	11	20	17	18	27	30	42	44	70
Police	—	2	—	—	1	5	3	5	11	18
Day Care	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	—	5	1
Friend	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
Priest	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2
Agency Decision										
Left With Parents	8	5	10	15	12	24	20	30	40	66
Supervision Required	8	7	13	12	16	21	19	25	28	45
Removed from Abusive Environment	8	4	9	10	7	15	16	21	27	40
Sibling Removed	—	1	5	2	6	7	5	5	10	16
Services Received from Agency										
Family Counselling	7	3	9	15	11	22	20	31	40	54
Supervision	12	10	10	11	17	29	28	41	45	67
Homemakers	3	1	2	1	—	5	5	5	6	6
Voluntary Care	1	1	3	2	2	5	—	5	7	17
Others	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	3	16	25
Immediate Action Taken										
Child Examined by M.D.	20	11	20	20	20	30	32	40	48	84
Color Photos Taken	9	4	11	7	9	9	14	11	10	12
Full Body X-Ray	8	6	6	3	5	6	7	8	—	—
The Police Involved	7	3	8	11	12	28	19	32	42	93
Police Investigation	4	1	8	10	7	23	13	24	36	82
Cases Brought to Family Court	10		18		23		23		58	
Notice to Bring*	—		2		1		2		—	
Taken Into Care*	—		3		7		28		—	
Friendly Care and Supervision*	—		8		11		10		13	
Care and Custody	4		8		8		11		31	
Dismissed	—		—		5		6		9	
Still Before the Court	—		—		4		8		4	
Placed for Adoption	—		—		—		—		1	
Returned to Parent's Care	—		—		—		—		6	

(Cont'd)

**This information not taken in 1980.*

(Table 3 continued)

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Police Involvement					
No. of Cases Police Involved	10	19	40	52	135
No. of These Cases Brought to Family Court	5	7	16	19	9
Criminal Charges Laid	4	7	17	24	—
Charges Dropped	—	1	—	1	7
Convictions	—	6	9	19	56
Not Guilty	—	—	—	1	1
Results Not Available	—	—	8	3	12
Agency					
Annapolis	1	1	2	1	9
Antigonish	—	—	2	—	5
Cape Breton	1	6	8	8	21
Colchester	1	1	1	4	3
Cumberland	1	3	1	5	10
Dartmouth	7	19	17	23	22
Digby	—	1	—	1	4
Guysborough	—	—	—	6	1
Halifax	14	7	12	10	30
Hants	—	1	1	4	10
Inverness/Richmond	—	—	—	—	2
Kings	1	—	8	6	18
Lunenburg	2	—	1	6	7
Pictou	1	2	3	3	1
Queens	—	—	1	2	4
Sackville	2	2	4	3	11
Shelburne	—	1	—	4	5
Yarmouth	—	1	2	3	17
Additional/Related Indications of Alleged Abuse in Family					
Past Abuse of Parents	5	6	9	16	61
Stressful Events	14	12	29	49	74
Alcohol Abuse	6	12	14	20	47
Drug Abuse	—	—	—	1	—
Supervision	6	6	11	22	35
Mental Health	3	5	11	12	41
Nutrition	—	—	4	10	16
Medical	2	3	10	8	15
Emotional Care	9	8	12	24	33
Inappropriate Discipline	9	13	21	40	47
Other	4	4	4	—	29

Table 4

Comparative Statistics For Child-Caring Facilities And Residential Centres

	Bairncroft	Home of the Guardian Angel	Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children	Boys Residential Centre	Residential Centre Halifax	Residential Centre Hebron
1. (a) No. of children resident on April 1, 1984	2	3	24	11	10	12
(b) No. of admissions during the year	21	57	101	16	7	10
(c) Total of (a) and (b)	23	60	125	27	17	22
(d) No. of discharges during the year	21	60	104	17	9	10
(e) No. of children resident on March 31, 1985	2	—	21	10	8	12
2. No. of admissions during the year who were						
(a) boys	5	28	60	16	1	7
(b) girls	16	29	41	—	6	3
(c) birth - 5 years	—	57	2	—	—	—
6 years - 9 years	2	—	9	—	—	—
10 years - 12 years	5	—	15	—	—	1
13 years - 15 years	13	—	50	14	7	6
16 years - 20 years	1	—	25	2	—	3
3. Average length of stay (in days) in the facility						
(a) of number discharged during the year	55.2	11.8	122.1	311	312.4	324.7
(b) of those resident at the end of the year	22.5	—	395	250	192.3	316.2
4. (a) No. of children cared for during the year	23	60	125	27	17	22
(b) Total number of days care during the year of all children in 4 (a)	1147	705	7494	4218	2534	4358
(c) Average cost of care per child per day	63.60	122.59	66.21	72.97	131.75	68.10
5. No. of persons on staff of the facility						
(a) superintendent	1	1	1	1	1	1
(b) social workers	—	1	2	—	1	—
part-time	—	2	—	—	—	—
(c) nurses	—	2	—	—	—	—
part-time	—	8	—	—	—	—
(d) counsellors	—	—	13	7	—	—
(e) child care staff	3	—	—	—	9	7
(f) houseparents	—	—	—	1	—	1
(g) domestic	1	—	1	—	1	—
(h) cook	1	—	1	1	1	—
(i) other	—	—	1	1	1	1
Total number of staff full-time	6	4	19	11	14	10
part-time	—	10	—	—	—	—

C.A.S. of Halifax Group Home	D.H. Johnson House	Dept. of Social Services Ind. Home	F. & C.S. of Hants Co. Group Home	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co. Group Home	Hawthorne House	Jubien House	Liscombe Group Home	Ramsay House	Shelburne Group Home	Sisters of the Good Shepherd - G.H.	S.O.S. Children's Village	Whitney Avenue Group Home	Y.M.C.A. Walnut St. Group Home	Total
4	8	4	6	4	7	9	5	8	4	2	9	3	4	139
3	60	6	10	4	47	27	7	10	4	8	4	3	7	412
7	68	10	16	8	54	36	12	18	8	10	13	6	11	551
3	59	7	10	4	46	27	9	12	4	5	1	1	6	415
4	9	3	6	4	8	9	3	6	4	5	12	5	5	136
3	—	—	10	3	47	—	4	6	4	1	2	2	7	206
—	60	6	—	1	—	27	3	4	—	7	2	1	—	206
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	59
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	12
—	1	—	—	1	9	—	4	—	1	—	2	—	—	39
3	54	—	8	2	34	26	2	4	3	—	1	2	3	232
—	5	6	2	1	4	1	1	6	—	8	—	1	4	70
408	67.8	171.4	359	145.3	58.4	137.5	257.7	189.2	264.3	158	100	199	264	—
390	129.6	73.7	114	559.8	112.5	223.3	406.7	170.3	377.8	140.8	527.3	532.4	291.2	—
7	68	10	16	8	54	36	12	18	8	10	13	6	11	—
1741	2929	1132	2189	1416	2525	2918	1429	2171	1811	1133	4315	1633	1923	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
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—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	64
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10

(Table 4 continued)

	Bairncroft	Home of the Guardian Angel	Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children	Boys Residential Centre	Residential Centre Halifax	Residential Centre Hebron
6. No. of persons on staff of the facility						
(a) group home parent(s)	—	—	—	—	—	—
relief parents	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) superintendent	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) social workers	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) nurses	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) counsellors - full-time	—	—	—	—	—	—
- part-time	—	—	—	—	—	—
(f) child care staff	—	—	—	—	—	—
(g) houseparents	—	—	—	—	—	—
(h) domestic	—	—	—	—	—	—
(i) cook	—	—	—	—	—	—
(j) maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total number of staff	—	—	—	—	—	—

C.A.S. of Halifax Group Home	D.H. Johnson House	Dept. of Social Services Ind. Home	F. & C.S. of Hants Co. Group Home	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co. Group Home	Hawthorne House	Jubien House	Liscombe Group Home	Ramsay House	Shelburne Group Home	Sisters of the Good Shepherd - G.H.	S.O.S. Children's Village	Whitney Avenue Group Home	Y.M.C.A. Walnut St. Group Home	Total
2	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	—	2	—	2	2	2	16
3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	5	—	4	—	5	5	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	23
—	1½	—	—	—	1½	1½	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4½
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—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
5	7½	2	4	2	8½	7½	2	4	2	3	6	2	2	57½

Table 5

Comparative Statistics Showing Services to Unmarried Mothers and Children by Child Placing Agencies and Maternity Homes

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.*	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.
1. No. of active unmarried mother cases open on April 1, 1984	4	21	9	10	48	1	1
2. No. of cases opened during the year	5	47	21	17	71	11	4
3. No. of cases closed during the year	6	54	23	16	64	10	2
4. No. of active cases open on March 31, 1985	3	14	7	11	55	2	3
5. Residence of unmarried mother (No. 2) In Nova Scotia	4	47	21	17	71	11	4
Outside Nova Scotia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Ages of unmarried mothers counselled (No. 2) 15 and under	1	2	—	—	4	3	—
16-20	2	29	12	13	35	6	2
21-25	2	9	7	3	25	2	2
26-30	—	5	2	—	7	—	—
31-35	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
36 and over	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
7. No. of children under care April 1, 1984 (a) in child care facility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) in foster home	—	4	1	2	7	—	—
(c) with mother	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. No. of children admitted to care (a) mother on unmarried mother service	1	22	4	6	7	—	3
(b) mother unknown or child deserted/ adoption breakdown	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. No. of children discharged from care (a) child returned to mother's care	—	7	2	—	1	—	—
(b) child committed to care and custody	—	3	—	—	5	—	—
(c) child referred to another agency	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) notice of proposed adoption filed	1	13	3	3	1	—	—

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House	Total
13	4	3	—	3	11	—	61	2	3	29	26	9	3	261
25	7	20	—	6	13	3	83	17	—	137	58	37	16	598
31	10	16	—	6	15	3	65	12	3	126	53	41	18	574
7	1	7	—	3	9	—	79	7	—	40	31	5	1	285
24	7	19	—	6	12	2	76	12	—	127	54	29	14	557
1	—	1	—	—	1	1	7	5	—	10	4	8	2	41
3	—	1	—	—	1	—	6	—	—	8	3	1	1	34
19	4	15	—	6	10	2	51	14	—	104	38	26	7	395
3	3	1	—	—	2	1	22	2	—	20	15	10	4	133
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	3	2	—	3	26
—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3
1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	3	—	—	20
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	3	7	—	1	2	2	27	—	1	55	20	5	—	176
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
1	—	1	—	—	2	—	8	—	—	14	4	3	—	43
1	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	16
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
8	2	5	—	—	—	2	11	—	—	44	13	—	—	111

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	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.*	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness Richmond C.A.S.
10. No. of children under care, March 31, 1985							
(a) child care facility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) foster home	—	3	—	—	6	—	—
(c) with mother	—	—	—	—	1	—	3
(d) free home placement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. No. of children in (No. 10) who were							
(a) Protestant	—	1	—	—	5	—	—
(b) Roman Catholic	—	1	—	—	1	—	1
(c) Other/No finding	—	1	—	—	1	—	2
(d) Boys	—	—	—	—	4	—	3
(e) Girls	—	3	—	—	3	—	—

**includes Family Support Cases*

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House	Total
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	—	1	—	—	7	—	—	—	4	—	—	22
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
1	—	—	—	1	—	—	5	—	—	—	1	2	—	16
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	3	—	—	9
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
1	—	—	—	1	—	—	6	—	—	—	3	1	—	19
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	10

Table 6

A. Adoptions

1. **Number of children adopted** 510

2. **Age grouping of children at time of legal adoption:**

Under 1 year	131	8 years	37
1 year	59	9 years	19
2 years	29	10 years	16
3 years	28	11 years	17
4 years	34	12 years	13
5 years	39	13 years	12
6 years	31	14 years	5
7 years	34	15 years	6

Average age at time of adoption: 4 years 9 months.

3. **Place of birth of children in 1:**

(a)	Annapolis	7	Inverness	1
	Antigonish	21	Kings	29
	Cape Breton	80	Lunenburg	13
	Colchester	14	Pictou	23
	Cumberland	13	Queens	8
	Digby	5	Richmond	0
	Guysborough	0	Shelburne	8
	Halifax	182	Victoria	0
	Hants	8	Yarmouth	15
(b)	Out of province	83	Birth Place information not available	0

4. **Number of children in 1 born:**

(a) In wedlock 143 (b) Out of wedlock 367

5. **Religion of children in 1:**

(a) Protestant 258 (b) Roman Catholic 228 (c) Other 24

6. **Length of stay of children in adoption home prior to completion of adoption:**

Under 1 year	269	8 years	6
1 year but not over 2 years	126	9 years	3
2 years but not over 3 years	42	10 years	0
3 years	22	11 years	2
4 years	16	12 years	2
5 years	14	13 years	0
6 years	4	14 years	0
7 years	3	15 years	1

Average length of stay in adoption homes: 1 year 7 months.

7. **Lapse of time between filing of notice and completion of adoption:**

Under 1 year	419	5 years	0
1 year but not over 2	69	6 years	0
2 years but not over 3	17	7 years	0
3 years	3	8 years	1
4 years	1		

Average lapse of time between filing of notice and completion of adoption: 9 months.

8. **Number of children in 1 who were later adopted, where a certificate was granted by the Minister for the waiving of the 6 months' waiting time:** 33.

9. **Number of children in 1 placed by:**

(a)	Children's Aid Societies	124
(b)	Director of Family & Children's Services	27
(c)	Child Caring Institutions	49
(d)	Out of Province Agencies	6
(e)	Private — with relative	270
	— with non-relative	34
(f)	Director and Children's Aid Society	0

10. (a)	**No. of children in 1 adopted by two parents**	496
(b)	**No. of children in 1 adopted by one parent**	14

11. (a)	**Boys**	263	(b) **Girls**	247

B. Adopting Parents

12. (a) **Classification of adopting father in 10(a) by age:**

21-29	177	50-59	12
30-39	251	60-69	8
40-49	55	Not available	7

Average Age of adopting father is 33 years 6 months.

(b) **Classification of adopting mother in 10(a) and (b) by age:**

Under 20 years	6	50-59	10
20-29	216	60-69	5
30-39	234	Not available	4
40-49	35		

Average age of adopting mother is 32 years.

13. **Residence of adopting parents in 10(a) and (b):**

Annapolis	15	Kings	39
Antigonish	7	Lunenburg	23
Cape Breton	79	Pictou	21
Colchester	21	Queens	13
Cumberland	10	Richmond	5
Digby	9	Shelburne	14
Guysborough	7	Victoria	3
Halifax	189	Yarmouth	19
Hants	23	Out of Province	4
Inverness	9		

14. **No. of children in 1 adopted into families:**

(a) Owning a home	339	(b) Renting a home	171

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(Table 6 continued)

15. Occupational classification of:

(a) Adopting Fathers:

Professional	59	Semi-skilled Tradesmen	17
Business	82	Labourers	46
Armed Services	47	Primary Industries	56
Skilled Tradesmen	183	Not Available	20

(b) Adopting Mothers:

Housewife	255	Skilled Tradesperson	57
Professional	32	Semi-Skilled Tradesperson	20
Business	19	Labourer	10
Armed Services	1	Primary Industry	32
		Not Available	84

16. Classification of income of families adopting children in 1:

Under $ 7,000	2
$ 7,000 to 7,999	4
8,000 to 8,999	5
9,000 to 9,999	4
10,000 to 14,999	47
15,000 to 19,999	68
20,000 to 24,999	112
25,000 to 29,999	76
30,000 to 34,999	59
35,000 to 39,999	30
40,000 to 44,999	28
45,000 to 49,999	18
Over $50,000	50
Not stated	7

Average income of families in 16 is $28,525.85

17. Religion of parents adopting in 1:

	Father	Mother
(a) Protestant	276	211
(b) Roman Catholic	200	269
(c) Other	31	26

Table 7

Day Care Services

April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985

	Private	*Registered*
Number of Applications received	64	0
Number of Applications pending previous year	12	2
Number of new Centres licensed in 1984	38	2
Number of Centres closed	27	0
Number of Applications pending year end	16	0
Number of Licensed Centres	277	47
Full Day	86	47
Part Day	191	0
Total Number of Centres (Private & Registered)	324	
Licensed Capacity	5,540	2,631
Full Day	1,720	2,631
Part Day	3,820	0
Total Licensed Capacity (Private & Registered)	8,156	
Number of Visits to Day Care Facilities by Head Office Staff (Private & Registered)	633	

Table 8

Day Care Services
Regional Analysis of Centres & Spaces

March 31, 1985

		Halifax Region	Cape Breton Region	North Shore Region	Central Region	Western Region	Total
A.	Registered Centres	24	10	5	4	4	47
	(i) Subsidized Spaces	1182	338	150	135	105	1910
	(ii) Non-subsidized Spaces	369	101	99	102	50	721
		1551	439	249	237	155	2631
B.	Private Centres	127	39	43	43	25	277
	Private Spaces	2540	780	860	860	500	5540
C.	Total Centres	151	49	48	47	29	324
	Total Spaces	4091	1219	1109	1097	655	8171

Table 9

Significant Achievements in Day Care Services

April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985

1. The Task Force Report recommendations were approved in October 1983. The major recommendations were implemented April 1984 and included an increase in the level of funding by $1.25 — an 85¢ increase in the maximum per diem rate and a 40¢ equipment grant; and increase in the subsidy allocation by 50 spaces to a total of 1,910.

   The appointment of a Program Specialist, Day Care Services, was effective July 1, 1984.

2. The maximum per diem rate was increased in November 1984 by 5% to a maximum of $12.30. The per diem rates are reviewed annually.

3. Expenditures, day care services, increased 25.5% from an actual expenditure in 1983-84 of $4,301,508 to an actual expenditure of $5,396,986 in 1984-85.

   This increase reflects the first year of the additional funding received by Day Care Services as a result of the recommendations of the Task Force Report, and the increased use of the subsidy allocation.

4. In 1985, there was an average of 1,934 children enrolled in subsidized day care spaces which equates to 1,647 full-time equivalent children.

   The 1985 average of 1,934 reflects an increase of 133 over the 1984 average of 1,801 children.

Table 10

Family Court Statistics *Year Ending March 31, 1985*	Annapolis	Antigonish	Cape Breton	Colchester	Cumberland	Digby	Guysborough
CHILDREN'S SERVICES ACT							
Number of Children Brought Before the Court							
Believed to be in need of protection	12	9	202	20	25	9	34
Unmanageable while in care and custody Section 55	0	0	0	3	1	0	0
Unmanageable while in the Charge of the Minister	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Application for termination	2	0	3	15	9	3	9
Other	3	10	16	18	3	2	11
Total	17	19	221	56	38	14	54
Disposition re Children Brought Before the Court							
Adjourned under Section 49(1)(a)	4	0	103	4	5	2	0
Temporary care and custody Section 49(1)(a)(i)	15	0	12	2	8	0	3
Referral under Section 49(1)(a)(ii)	0	0	2	0	0	3	0
Dismissed under Section 49 (1)(b)	0	0	25	1	0	0	2
Adjourned under Section 49(1)(c)(i)	0	5	7	3	0	0	22
Care and custody under Section 49(1)(c)(ii)	10	4	14	9	9	4	5
Adjourned Section 52(3)(a)	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Adjourned Section 52(3)(b)	0	0	4	0	1	0	0
Terminate care and custody Section 52(3)(c)	2	0	8	16	4	2	1
Application for termination dismissed 52(3)(d)	0	0	15	0	0	1	0
Others	3	10	30	21	10	2	21
Total - Dispositions Includes adjournments	34	19	221	56	38	14	54
General							
Actual number of parent-child(ren) unit actions initiated	17	19	194	43	31	4	212
Actual number of Hearings	34	16	206	43	29	4	28

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
321	4	12	30	25	33	16	29	56	1	36	874
26	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	33
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
9	0	2	1	3	18	2	0	10	0	0	86
83	6	16	6	0	16	0	0	6	0	3	199
442	10	30	37	31	67	18	29	72	1	39	1195
84	3	0	5	2	0	0	19	22	0	5	258
109	1	5	99	11	41	9	0	2	0	7	324
2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	10
27	2	4	1	1	15	1	2	12	0	3	96
26	0	10	8	0	19	1	0	2	0	2	105
52	0	0	26	3	22	3	0	10	0	19	190
1	4	0	0	0	7	0	0	3	0	1	18
0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	13
13	4	0	0	2	4	2	0	11	0	0	69
8	1	0	2	0	7	0	0	2	0	0	51
124	5	11	8	2	11	3	6	8	1	2	278
446	21	30	149	21	134	19	29	72	1	39	1397
260	17	27	37	30	67	16	9	54	1	36	1074
451	19	12	149	24	82	16	11	52	1	36	1213

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Table 10 continued

	Annapolis	Antigonish	Cape Breton	Colchester	Cumberland	Digby	Guysborough
FAMILY MAINTENANCE ACT							
Number of Applications commenced							
For Maintenance under Sections 3 and 9	68	70	930	75	145	85	34
For Maintenance under Section 11	0	4	242	44	80	13	11
For Maintenance under Section 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
For Custody and Access pursuant to Section 18(1)	34	49	222	40	182	15	29
To Change Order under Section 40(2)	7	0	126	44	93	29	0
Default Actions under Section 39	74	116	1225	200	195	263	42
To Change Order under Section 36	26	26	177	54	93	28	11
Other	0	10	3	26	39	9	7
Total Number of Applications	209	275	2925	483	827	442	134
Total Number of Hearings	274	231	3166	473	523	230	108
MAINTENANCE ORDERS ENFORCEMENT ACT							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Application to Vary	1	0	0	1	12	0	0
Provincial	13	1	56	17	21	8	2
Confirming	1	0	3	2	0	0	1
Default Action	2	0	10	13	9	0	0
Rescinded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	17	1	69	33	42	8	3
Total Number of Hearings	20	1	69	33	34	7	3
SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE ACT							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Consents Granted	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Consents Refused	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Marriages Performed	0	20	0	0	12	0	0
Total Number of Hearings	0	20	1	0	13	0	0

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
941	46	77	96	94	277	29	11	87	16	184	3265
235	20	25	1	0	62	13	5	4	3	22	784
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	8
793	11	63	46	52	188	6	2	4	0	7	1743
422	14	3	38	122	63	22	0	35	9	80	1107
955	48	130	92	166	308	93	50	376	2	692	5027
378	29	29	30	186	131	6	20	28	37	57	1346
24	3	26	0	0	12	7	0	1	3	1	171
3751	171	353	303	620	1041	176	88	535	73	1045	13451
4406	245	301	399	336	934	90	88	335	76	694	12909
6	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	25
85	7	5	11	10	19	4	2	6	1	7	275
26	1	1	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	5	49
71	2	2	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	0	121
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
188	12	9	18	14	29	6	2	6	2	12	471
220	12	9	23	14	33	6	2	4	2	9	501
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
299	0	10	0	0	26	1	0	0	0	0	368
300	0	10	0	1	26	2	0	0	0	0	373

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Table 10 continued

	Annapolis	Antigonish	Cape Breton	Colchester	Cumberland	Digby	Guysborough
CRIMINAL CODE							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Section 168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Section 197	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Section 666	0	0	144	3	10	0	0
Section 245	0	1	3	0	0	0	1
Section 745	0	3	41	5	29	0	1
Section 746	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	4	188	8	39	0	2
Total Number of Hearings	0	4	199	8	33	0	2
INFANTS CUSTODY ACT							
Number of Applications	0	9	13	0	1	0	7
Actual Number of Hearings	0	9	13	0	1	0	7
GENERAL							
Total Number of Hearings*	344	312	3233	618	783	294	165

* Total number of hearings includes other legislation and Young Offenders not depicted in this table.

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
85	1	0	0	3	14	0	1	1	7	5	274
1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
142	2	2	4	4	23	0	1	0	3	3	263
23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
251	3	17	4	7	37	0	2	1	10	8	581
290	2	17	4	2	60	0	2	1	11	7	642
2	0	7	1	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	49
4	0	7	1	0	31	1	0	0	0	0	74
6463	349	165	622	384	1284	125	108	465	95	817	16626

Table 11

Family Court Statistics
Enforcement Services
Family Court Maintenance Orders and Collections

April 1, 1984 — March 31, 1985

	Cape Breton Region	Cape Breton Region	Halifax	Dartmouth
	Victoria & Cape Breton Counties	Richmond & Inverness Counties	City of Halifax & County	City of Dartmouth & County
(a) No. of cases where Court Order was issued	375	42	351	281
(b) No. of cases where Court Orders were discontinued	227	19	3	12
(c) No. of active Court Order cases at end of year	1764	215	1884	1523
(d) No. of Court Order Violations	1412	212	634	491
(e) Total collections from Court Orders during the year	$2,332,037.82	$364,691.41	$2,352,912.50	$2,972,439.38

	North Shore Region	North Shore Region	Central	Western Region	Total
	Cumberland County	Pictou Antigonish Guysborough Colchester	Kings Annapolis Lunenburg	Yarmouth Shelburne Digby Queens	
(a)	225	260	211	163	1908
(b)	42	93	42	102	540
(c)	432	1587	1175	895	9475
(d)	209	394	460	1440	5252
(e)	$567,154.88	$1,693,700.00	$1,369,941.67	$1,018,746.29	$12,671,623.95

Table 12

Comparative Statistics for Training Schools

April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985

	Nova Scotia School for Boys	Nova Scotia School for Girls	Total
1. Youth in care on March 31, 1984	102	38	140
2. Youth committed during the period to:			
(i) Secure custody	18	0	18
(ii) Open custody	83	26	109
(iii) Secure/Open custody	11	1	12
(iv) Provincial Place of safety	7	25	32
Total No. Committed	119	52	171
3. No. of releases during the period			
(i) Pursuant to Sec. 28, Young Offenders Act	3	0	3
(ii) Pursuant to Sec. 29, Young Offenders Act	0	1	1
(iii) Order of Appeal Court	4	3	7
(iv) Released end of custody period	68	32	100
(v) Released on authority of the Minister under Children's Services Act.	70	30	100
Total No. Released	145	66	211
4. Youth who escaped custody during period	45	34	79
5. Youth charged with escaping custody during period	26	7	33
6. Youth remanded to custody during period	73	48	121
7. Ages of youth committed to custody under Young Offenders Act			
— 12 years	2	0	2
— 13 years	11	3	14
— 14 years	25	10	35
— 15 years	64	12	76
— 16 years and over	11	2	13

	Nova Scotia School for Boys	Nova Scotia School for Girls	Total
8. Ages of youth committed to Provincial Place of Safety			
— 12 years	1	0	1
— 13 years	2	5	7
— 14 years	2	13	15
— 15 years	1	7	8
— 16 years and over	1	0	1
9. Average length of stay in custody under Young Offenders Act (in days) of those:			
(i) Released during period including Juvenile Delinquents Act committals	189	95	284
(ii) In custody at end of period including Juvenile Delinquents Act committals	116	64	180
10. Average cost of care per youth per day (Total maintenance divided by total days)	$111.89	$135.98	
11. Percentage of total cost of maintenance paid from public funds	100%	100%	100%
12. Capacity of facility	157	80	237
13. Total staff complement (including vacancies)			
(i) Supervisory (includes executives, social workers, counsellors, nurses)	54	24	78
(ii) Clerical and Stenographic	7	2	9
(iii) Academic	12	5	17
(iv) Maintenance (includes cooks, domestics, seamstresses, etc.)	16	8	24
Total	89	39	128

Table 13

Young Offenders Services
Offenders by Age and County

Fiscal Year April 1, 1984 — March 31, 1985

	AGE						
	12	13	14	15	16	Over 16	TOTAL
Annapolis	6	4	3	10	—	3	26
Antigonish	1	2	3	7	—	—	13
Cape Breton	23	37	81	97	7	8	253
Colchester	4	9	27	42	—	2	84
Cumberland	1	1	2	3	—	—	7
Digby	1	8	7	7	—	—	23
Guysborough	—	4	3	7	—	1	15
Halifax	32	90	131	166	5	11	435
Hants	5	9	13	19	2	1	49
Inverness	—	2	6	9	1	—	18
Kings	—	13	20	19	—	5	57
Lunenburg	4	4	10	12	—	4	34
Pictou	10	18	31	31	—	5	95
Queens	3	1	2	5	—	—	11
Richmond	—	1	—	4	—	—	5
Shelburne	1	2	10	14	1	—	28
Victoria	2	8	7	7	—	3	27
Yarmouth	7	8	19	24	—	3	61
Total	100	221	375	483	16	46	1241

Table 14

Young Offenders Services Statute by County Counting Offences

Fiscal Year April 1, 1984 — March 31, 1985

	STATUTE										
County	Children Services Act	Criminal Code	Education Act	Food & Drug Act	Liquor Control Act	Motor Vehicle Act	Narcotics Control Act	Other Federal Statutes	Other Provincial Statutes	Young Offenders Act (33)	Total
Annapolis	—	29	—	—	7	—	5	—	—	—	41
Antigonish	—	12	2	—	3	1	—	—	—	1	19
Cape Breton	—	280	12	1	5	11	1	1	—	19	330
Colchester	—	111	7	—	4	4	3	—	—	1	130
Cumberland	—	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	7
Digby	—	40	1	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	44
Guysborough	—	17	2	—	2	1	1	—	1	1	25
Halifax	28	688	23	—	4	9	4	1	3	24	758
Hants	—	71	1	—	1	1	2	—	1	1	78
Inverness	—	11	5	—	—	4	1	2	—	—	23
Kings	—	77	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	79
Lunenburg	—	40	3	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	50
Pictou	—	89	7	—	9	5	3	3	5	—	121
Queens	—	9	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	13
Richmond	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Shelburne	—	29	1	—	3	7	—	—	—	—	40
Victoria	—	23	2	—	6	—	1	—	—	—	32
Yarmouth	—	64	—	—	3	7	—	—	—	—	74
Total	2	1601	68	1	53	53	21	7	18	47	1871

Chart 1

Children in Child Caring Facilities

on March 31, 1985

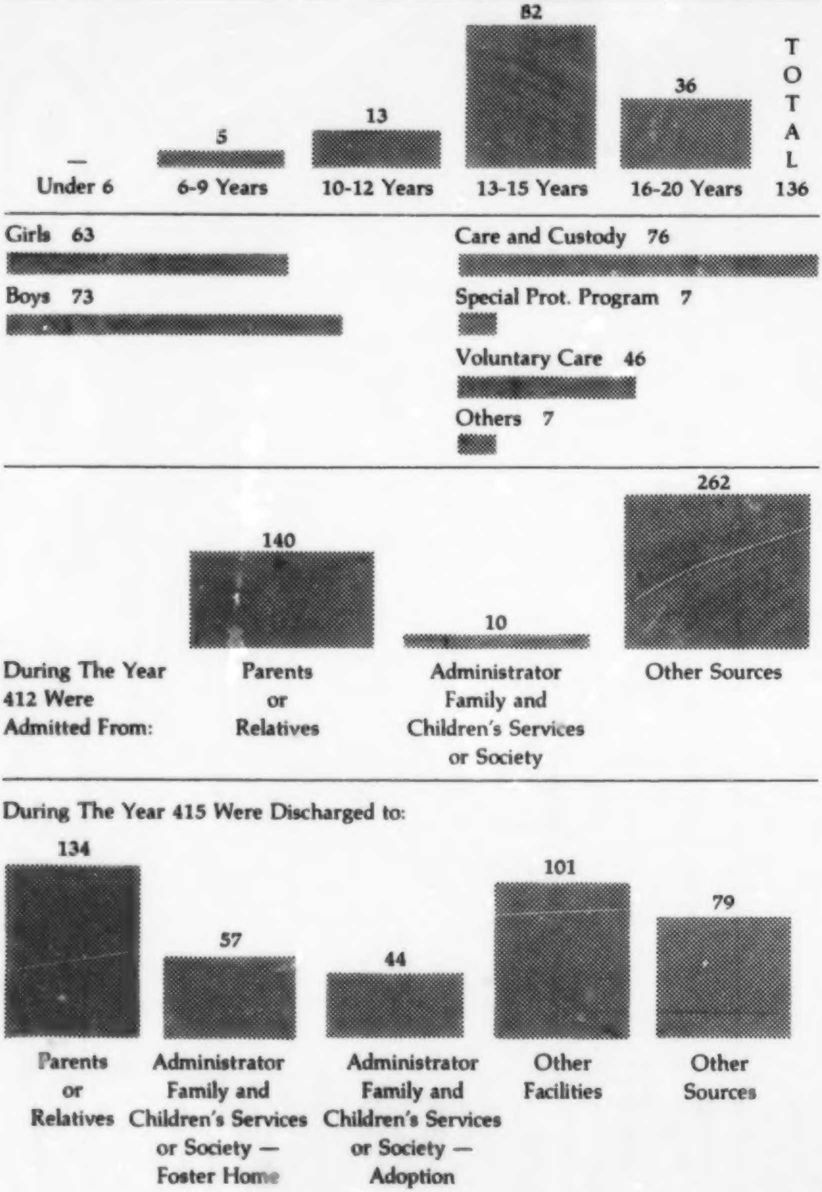
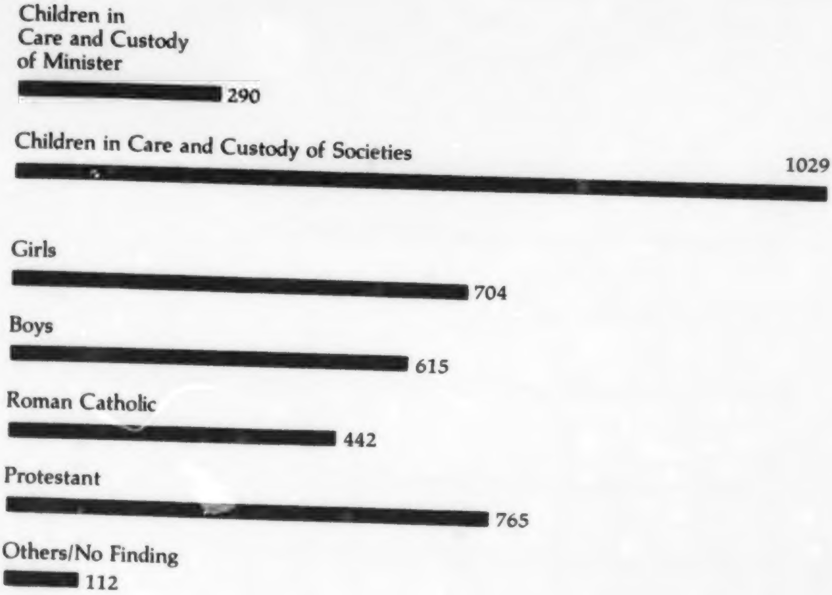


Chart 2

Children in Care and Custody in the Province

on March 31, 1985



What Ages?

Birth to 4 years — 93
5 to 9 years — 158
10 to 14 years — 373
15 to 18 years — 544
19 to 20 years — 151

Where Were They?

Foster Homes	891
Independent Living/ Boarding Homes	94
Adoption Probation	68
Free Home	8
Self Supporting	35
Own Parents	36
Child Caring Facilities	138*
Others	49

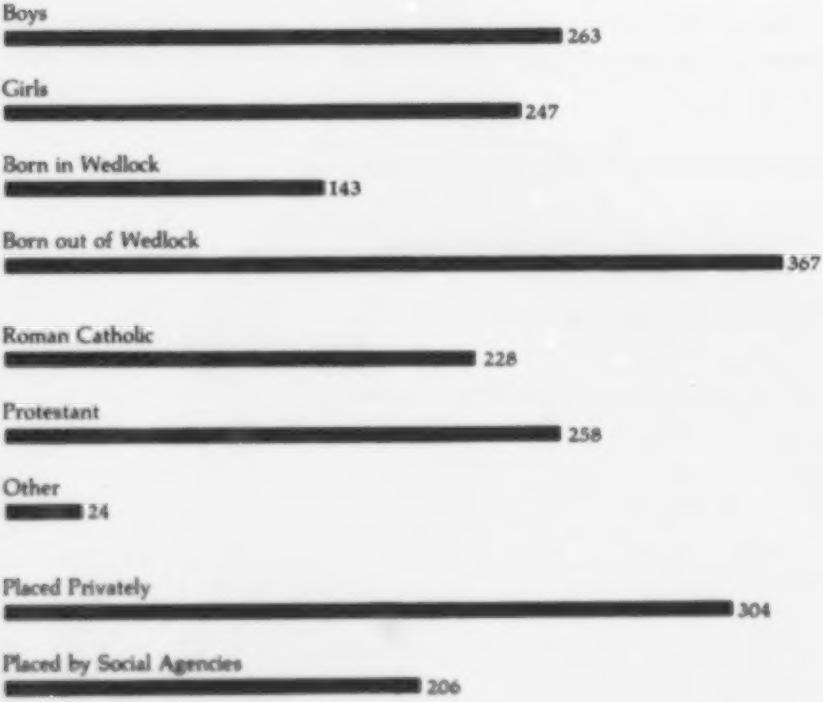
*See Table 1, 4(d) (e) (f) (g) (k) (l)

Chart 3

Adoptions

from April 1, to March 31, 1985

Total = 510



Average Completed Adoption

Child has been home 1 year, 7 months.
Mother was 32 years.
Father was 33 years, 6 months.

Chart 4

Adoption Register Inquiries

(Includes Telephone, Letter and Personal Contacts)

April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985

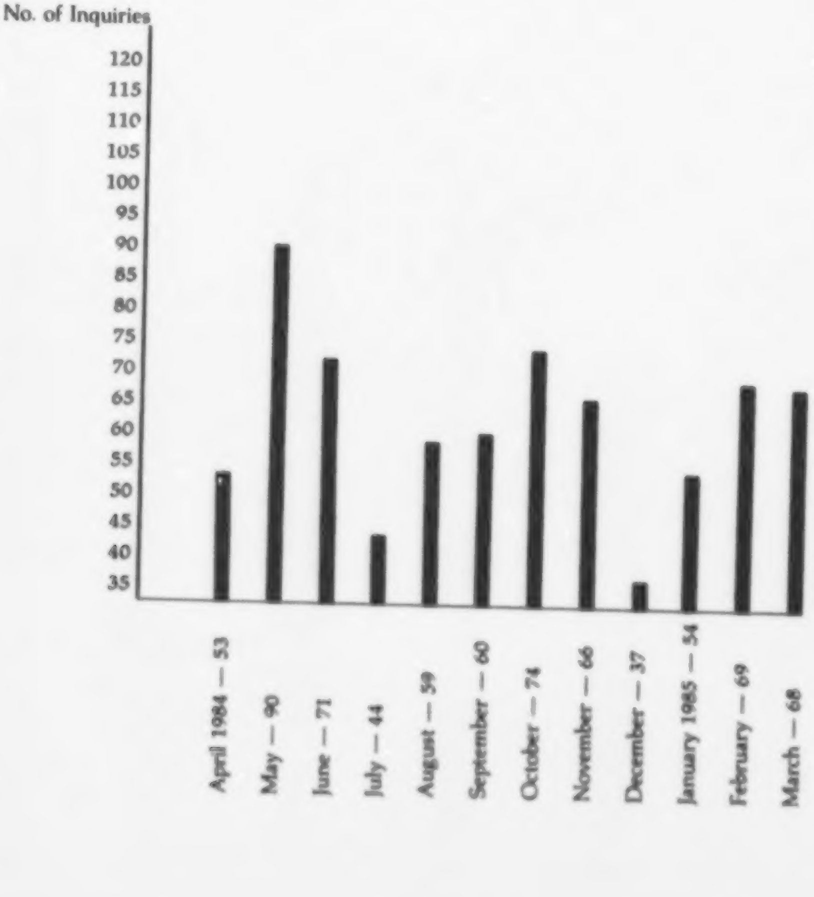
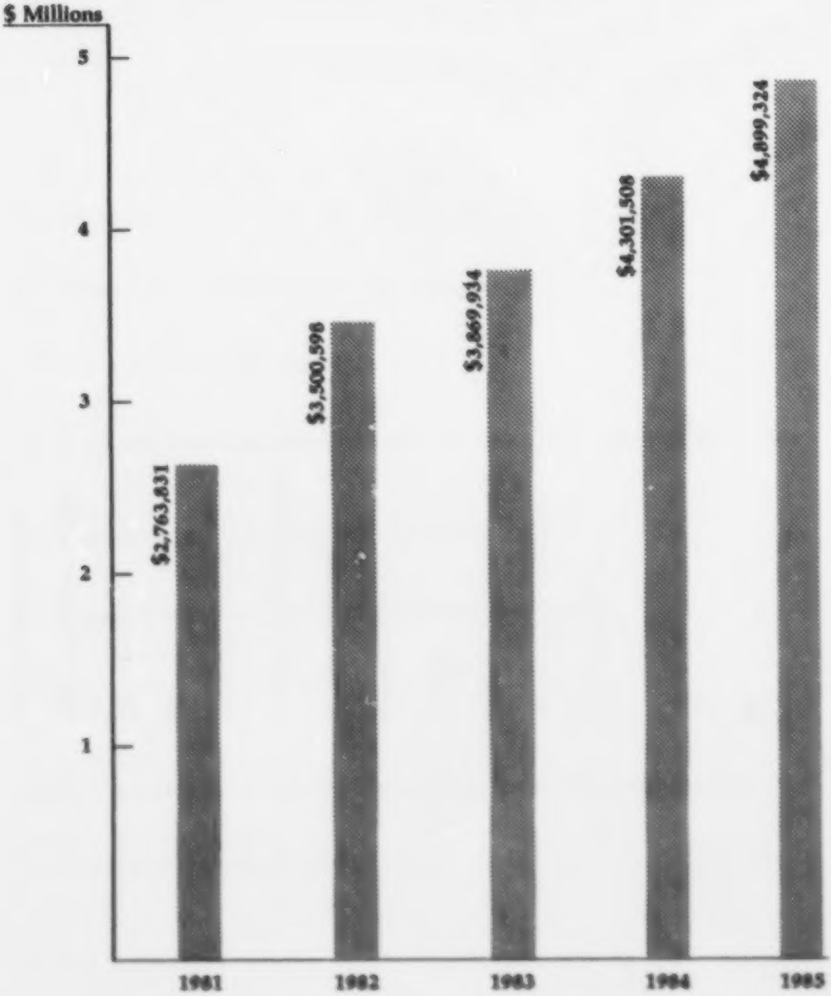


Chart 5

Day Care Subsidy Expenses



Social Services

Family Benefits Division

Ivor D. Hambling, Director

The Family Benefits Division, which was formed on Apil 1, 1979, is responsible for the administration of the following incone support programs:

- Family Benefits
- Diabetic Assistance
- Family Benefits Pharmacare
- Senior Citizens Financial Aid
    - Seniors Special Assistance
    - Property Tax Rebate
    - Rental Assistance

Family Benefits

The Family Benefits Act provides for financial payments to be made to individuals, or families who are in need and where the case of need is likely to be of a prolonged nature (see Tables 15-19).

The groups of individuals and families who may appy for benefits are:

- *Aged*—People 65 years of age and over are not eligible to receive Federal Old Age Security (Canada) payments.

Family Benefits Staff

- *Disabled*—People who are 18 years of age and over, and have a major physical or mental impairment likely to be present for at least one year, which prevents participation in the regular labour market, and who are not eligible for Old Age Security (see Table 20).
- *Unemployable Women*—Women who are single, deserted, divorced or widowed, and are unemployable, and are 60 to 65 years of age.
- *Mothers*—Any mother with a dependent child or children in her care and custody and who is:
  - — widowed
  - — deserted
  - — divorced
  - — the wife of a man sentenced to two years, or longer, in a federal penitentiary
  - — unmarried and reached the age of maturity
  - — the wife of a disabled man who is in hospital or a similar institution.
- *Foster Parent*—Individuals having in their care and custody a dependent child who is not being maintained by the natural parents. The maximum payment is $95 for the first child and $85 for each additional child up to $458 per month.
- *Disabled Fathers*—A father who is disabled and has a dependent child, or children, in his care and custody.

A dependent child is a person under the age of 18 who is not employed and is dependent on his/her parent or parents for support. Benefits may be paid on behalf of a dependent child who is between the ages of 18 and 21 and is pursuing an educational program.

Payments

Family Benefits payments, with the exception of those made to foster parents, are determined on the basis of a needs test. This test compares the total of actual shelter costs (e.g., rent, mortgage, electricity and fuel) up to a maximum level depending on family size, and personal allowances for adults and children, with the income available to the individual or family. The difference is the family benefits entitlement. Payments are mailed at the end of each month and represent the entitlement for the following month. (Refer to Tables 17, 18, Charts 6, 7).

Assets

An individual granted family benefits as a disabled, an aged person, or as an unemployable woman may have $3,000 in cash or liquid assets and still receive benefits if all other eligibility requirements have been met. When the disabled or aged person is married and living with his/her spouse, the assets are increased to $5,500.

If the eligible person is a mother with a dependent child, she may have cash or liquid assets of $2,500 and still receive benefits. A disabled father or a mother may also set up a trust fund for each dependent child and, provided the fund does not exceed $1,500, benefits may be paid. The trust fund may be used if approved by the Director of Family Benefits, to improve the education of the child beyond the high school level.

Work Incentives

A single disabled recipient of Family Benefits may earn, from employment, up to $100 per month without it affecting his/her monthly entitlement. When there are gross wages of more than $100 per month, 75% of the excess wages are fully taken into account when calculating the monthly Family Benefits entitlement. The basic exemption of $100 is increased to $200 if the recipient is married and lives with his/her spouse.

A single mother may also earn up to $200 per month without any reduction to her monthly entitlement. Gross wages of more than the basic exemption of $200 are taken into account at 75% when determining the monthly entitlement.

Administration

The Family Benefits program converted from a clerically administered program to a computer assisted administration in 1968. The computer program calculates the monthly entitlement, prints the monthly cheques, produces a cheque register, monthly and annual statistics, and provides a review cycle system for the regular assessment of the eligibility of recipients. On June 1, 1978 the Family Benefits program became the first program to convert to the Department's computerized management information system which has as its base a departmental client index. This conversion changes batch turn-around from 30 days to one day, retaining the original features. It also provides other features such as the identification of clients who are involved with other programs of the department through the client index.

Regulations Schedules

Major changes to the Family Benefits program were put into effect on July 1, 1980 that necessitated the use of two schedules of regulations: Schedule 'A' and Schedule 'B'. The latter is used for all applications received after July 1, 1980 and for all recipients in pay prior to that date who are entitled to a better benefit than under Schedule 'A'. As of March 31, 1985 approximately 98% of recipients receive benefits under the provisions of Schedule 'B'.

Legislation Amendments

Two amendments were made to the Family Benefits Act during the 1983 spring session of the House of Assembly.

The first amendment, which became effective September 1, 1983, allows the Director of Family Benefits to grant benefits to an unmarried mother with a dependent child in her care in extraordinary and compelling circumstances and when an adequate income from other sources is not available for support. The regulations define "income from other sources" as "earned and unearned income of the unmarried mother, father, paternal and maternal grandparents of the child and municipal social assistance paid pursuant to Part II of the Social Assistance Act".

The second amendment to the Act defines the term "officer of the department" and allows such an officer of the Department to have all the powers, duties, functions and immunities of the director under the Act. Some exceptions are provided for in the regulations. This second amendment permits the decentralization of the decision-making process of the Family Benefits program to be decentralized as and when required.

Effective September 1, 1983, amendments were made to the Family Benefits Regulations to provide additional benefits, not exceeding $200 per month to cover the actual costs incurred by recipients who participate in a rehabilitation program. This provision applies to disabled individuals and to single mothers. These additional benefits coincide with, and complement, the implementation of a Vocational Rehabilitation program for single parents receiving family benefits–a program administered by the Rehabilitation and Community Services

Division. (Refer to the report of that division for a more complete description of this new program.)

The availability of the new Vocational Rehabilitation program and the additional Family Benefits funds should help single parents become and remain financially independent.

Decentralization

The decision-making function of the Family Benefits program for the Halifax/Dartmouth metro area was transferred to the Halifax Regional Office on December 5, 1983 and to Sydney Regional Office effective December, 1984. A supervisor, a chief clerk and a secretary were transferred to administer the decentralized programs. The decentralization is expected to improve the service to Family Benefits clients by bringing the decision-making staff closer to both the Family Benefits Social Services workers and to the clients.

Diabetic Assistance

On May 1, 1960, the Department of Health implemented a new program to provide medication and testing materials free of charge to diabetics whose annual income was $3,600 or less. The program was financed through health grants from the Government of Canada. On April 1, 1968, this program was transferred to the Department of Social Services and the test of eligibility changed from an income level to one of financial need. The change of eligibility enables diabetics with an income greater than $3,600 but with family responsibilities to qualify for free medication and testing materials.

Diabetics who were receiving free medication prior to the transfer of the program and were unable to meet the needs test requirement continued to receive their medication; the cost was met 100% by the Department of Health. The income ceiling for those diabetics who remained the financial responsibility of the Health Department was increased on February 1, 1974, to $4,800 per annum from the original $3,600. As of March 31, 1984 the Department of Health no longer has any financial involvement for any part of the diabetic assistance program.

Each diabetic is provided with an identity card, which he/she has to present to a pharmacy of choice to obtain particular requirements. Pharmacies are reimbursed through Medical Services Insurance/ Maritime Medical Care on behalf of the Department of Social Services. (Refer to Table 21).

Pharmacare Program

On September 1, 1981, a Pharmacare program was introduced to provide free prescription drugs, prescribed ostomy equipment, diabetic supplies such as disposable needles, and testing materials for all disabled recipients of Family Benefits.

Individuals who are granted benefits because they are disabled are automatically provided with Pharmacare coverage. Those who receive Family Benefits because they are single parents, must demonstrate that they are disabled within the meaning of the Family Benefits Act and Regulations before becoming eligible for Pharmacare benefits.

Pharmacare benefits are not available to the spouse of a disabled person, the dependent child of disabled people, or single parents. Residents of Homes for Special Care who receive Family Benefits are also ineligible to receive Pharmacare benefits.

An indentification card is issued to each eligible recipient on the first day of every month. On presentation of this pharmacare card and a prescription prepared by a physician or dentist, to a Nova Scotia pharmacy, the Family Benefits recipient receives the prescribed medication. The pharmacy is reimbursed through Medical Insurance and Maritime Medical Care Inc.

The benefits of the Pharmacare program are identical to the benefits provided under the Senior Citizens Pharmacare Program. (Refer to Table 22).

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs

During the Spring of 1981, a bill to replace Part IV of the Social Assistance Act was introduced. The bill received assent on June 24, 1981 and is now Chapter 11 of the Acts of 1981—the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Act. This Act provides for three separate financial aid programs for senior citizens:

Seniors Special Assistance. This program has been in effect since 1973 under the provisions of Part VI of the Social Assistance Act, and provides an annual lump sum payment to recipients of a Guaranteed Income Supplement to the Old Age Security Pension. There are four levels of payment. The payment awarded to seniors depends on the level of their Guaranteed Income Supplement.

Property Tax Rebate. This program was first introduced in the Fall of 1980. It provides a rebate of 50% of residential property taxes paid by seniors who own, and regulary reside in, their own homes and who receive either a Guaranteed Income Supplement or a Spouse's Allowance.

Rental Assistance. This program, which became effective on April 1, 1981, provides a monthly assistance payment to seniors who rent their home and whose monthly rental payment exceeds 30% of their monthly income. Rental assistance is available to seniors who receive a Guaranteed Income Supplement, a Spouse's Allowance, or who are single and have an annual income of $9,800 or less. Maximum rent amounts are used for single people and for married couples when determining the level of a rental assistance payment. (Refer to Table 23).

Table 15

Family Benefits Caseload by Categories

On March 31 of Each Year of Five-Year Period
Ending March 31, 1985

	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
Widows	1,100	1,044	938	874	783
Wives of Disabled Husbands	191	26	19	14	13
Disabled Persons	10,573	11,065	11,677	12,214	12,817
Wives of Prisoners	23	23	21	20	21
Deserted Mothers	2,376	2,536	2,737	2,796	2,955
Foster Children	342	302	277	263	243
Unmarried Mothers	2,351	2,536	2,906	3,079	3,222
Divorced Mothers	1,433	1,480	1,605	1,693	1,681
Unemployable Women 60-65 Years, Single	79	78	78	86	84
Disabled Fathers	1,437	1,618	1,652	1,695	1,752
Aged	20	27	32	34	30

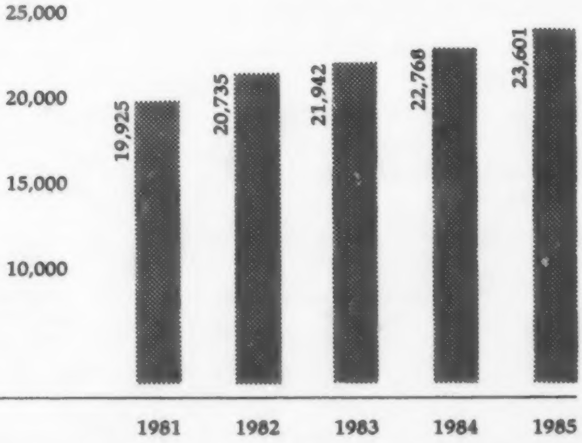


Table 16

Movement and Composition of Family Benefits Cases

	March 31, 1984	March 31, 1985
Number of Family Benefits recipients		
(a) Widows	874	787
(b) Wives of Disabled Husbands	14	16
(c) Wives of Prisoners	20	21
(d) Deserted Mothers	2,796	2,917
(e) Divorced Mothers	1,693	1,676
(f) Unmarried Mothers	3,079	3,208
(g) Foster Children	263	242
(h) Disabled Persons	12,214	12,790
(i) Unemployable Women	86	89
(j) Aged	34	32
(k) Disabled Fathers	1,695	1,742
	22,768	23,520
Number of cases cancelled during the year	4,207	
Number of new and renewed cases granted during the year	5,012	
Number of children benefiting from Family Benefits	22,132	
Average number of children per case (families only)	2.06	
Total number of persons benefiting under the Family Benefits program	45,652	
Average monthly Family Benefits as of March 31, 1985	$390.00	

Table 17

Average Monthly Family Benefits Payments by Categories

On March 31 of Each Year of Five-Year Period
Ending March 31, 1985

	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
Widows	$306.90	$318.02	$317.91	$342.24	$360.00
Wives of Disabled Husbands	481.43	364.04	358.61	304.08	338.00
Disabled Persons	245.01	268.41	278.03	296.84	310.00
Wives of Prisoners	487.68	469.74	481.68	611.62	635.00
Deserted Mothers	397.87	453.35	476.83	518.28	544.00
Foster Children	115.63	112.72	110.28	107.63	122.00
Unmarried Mothers	342.28	389.17	410.70	448.92	486.00
Divorced Mothers	391.78	431.81	459.89	504.93	525.00
Unemployable Women	220.18	252.01	262.87	273.57	269.00
Disabled Fathers	410.02	444.20	443.19	450.45	474.00
Aged	282.80	252.01	294.41	286.48	327.00

Table 18

Gross Family Benefits Expenditures by Categories

On March 31 of Each Year of Five-Year Period
Ending March 31, 1985

	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
Widows	$ 4,053,125	$ 4,005,246	$ 3,483,237	$ 4,189,356	$ 3,766,883
Wives of Disabled Husbands	986,254	299,085	78,592	74,310	79,622
Disabled Persons	28,444,064	32,945,727	41,173,761	44,003,700	50,027,581
Wives of Prisoners	131,996	125,756	132,522	135,551	165,625
Deserted Mothers	10,377,620	12,589,363	13,508,271	15,509,001	19,747,454
Foster Children	435,701	438,512	348,966	419,812	367,787
Unmarried Mothers	8,466,672	10,517,734	11,878,149	13,097,954	19,020,542
Divorced Mothers	6,089,304	7,107,471	7,535,955	8,320,999	11,308,190
Unemployable Women	214,475	214,171	223,387	317,421	320,721
Disabled Fathers	6,519,399	8,087,245	8,022,791	10,704,191	10,404,668
Aged	64,630	87,604	102,180	148,380	132,955
	$65,783,240	$76,417,914	$86,487,811	$96,920,675	$115,342,028

Table 19

Family Benefits Caseload and Liability by Counties

March 1985

	Number of Allowances Paid	Monthly Liability
Annapolis	570	$ 218,621
Antigonish	432	154,475
Cape Breton	5,314	2,093,057
Colchester	1,010	409,669
Cumberland	1,211	421,574
Digby	689	247,317
Guysborough	371	132,711
Halifax	6,201	2,592,306
Hants	749	86,198
Inverness	724	267,579
Kings	1,210	465,975
Lunenburg	979	358,219
Pictou	1,484	573,055
Queens	341	117,644
Richmond	406	147,565
Shelburne	369	120,369
Victoria	208	76,162
Yarmouth	947	363,709
	23,215	$8,846,205

Table 20

Nature of Disabilities in Respect to Disabled Persons Receiving Family Benefits

On March 31, 1985

Intestinal Infections	4
Virus Diseases	96
Venereal Disease	1
Other Infectious & Parasitic Diseases	12
Cancer	234
Neoplasms of Unspecified Nature	4
Diseases of Thyroid Gland	23
Diabetes Mellitus	283
Avitaminoses and Other Nutritional Deficiency	4
Metabolic Diseases	17
Iron Deficiency Anaemias	6
Pernicious Anaemias & Other Deficiency Anaemias	11
Other Diseases of Blood & Blood Forming Organs	8
Mental Problems & Alcoholism & Drug Dependence	6,801
Meningitis & Other Inflammatory Diseases of C.N.S.	15
Diseases of the Nervous System	1,088
Diseases of the Eye	351
Diseases of the Ear	87
Diseases of the Heart	1,645
Diseases of the Arteries	83
Diseases of Circulatory System	76
Diseases of the Upper Respiratory Tract	520
Diseases of the Respiratory System	108
Diseases of the Esophagus, Stomach, and Duodenum	93
Diseases of the Intestines & Peritoneum	65
Diseases of the Gall Bladder and Biliary Ducts	55
Diseases of the Urinary System	84
Diseases of the Male Genital Organs	3
Diseases of the Female Genital Organs	3
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue	28
Diseases of the Joints	1,946
Diseases of the Muscle	173
Diseases of the Digestive System	24
Birth Injury	67
Undefined and Unknown Causes	6
Diseases of the Bone	377
Burns	6
Injuries to Nerves and Spinal Cord	185

Table 21

Diabetic Assistance
No. of Recipients and Liability

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients at March 31, 1985	Liability
1981-82	754	$172,047
1982-83	680	$164,506
1983-84	620	$205,891
1984-85	591	$205,345

Table 22

Pharmacare
No. of Recipients and Liability

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients at March 31, 1985	Liability
1981-82*	12,291	$1,518,949
1982-83	13,736	$3,363,038
1983-84	13,900	$4,519,498
1984-85	14,004	$4,740,680

*Program began September 1, 1981.

Table 23

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Program

Seniors Social Assistance

Fiscal Year	Levels of Payment	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1977-78	150, 135, 100, 75	48,948	$ 6,492,520
1978-79	150, 135, 100, 75	51,827	$ 6,754,155
1979-80	162, 146, 100, 81	52,800	$ 7,504,742
1980-81	176, 159, 115, 88	53,409	$ 8,144,045
1981-82	198, 178, 132, 99	54,432	$ 9,281,113
1982-83	219, 197, 146, 109	56,286	$10,556,581
1983-84	219, 197, 146, 109	56,616	$10,449,038
1984-85	219, 197, 146, 109	57,170	$10,444,662

Property Tax Rebate

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1980-81	21,074	$2,167,950
1981-82	21,297	$2,405,474
1982-83	20,135	$2,690,441
1983-84	18,967	$2,624,530
1984-85	18,600	$2,694,006

Rental Assistance

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients at March 31, 1985	Total Payments
1981-82	1,789	$ 902,221.21
1982-83	1,650	$ 940,008.00
1983-84	1,600	$1,083,174.24
1984-85	1,950	$1,211,327.00

Chart 6

Total Family Benefits Budget

March 31, 1981 to March 31, 1985

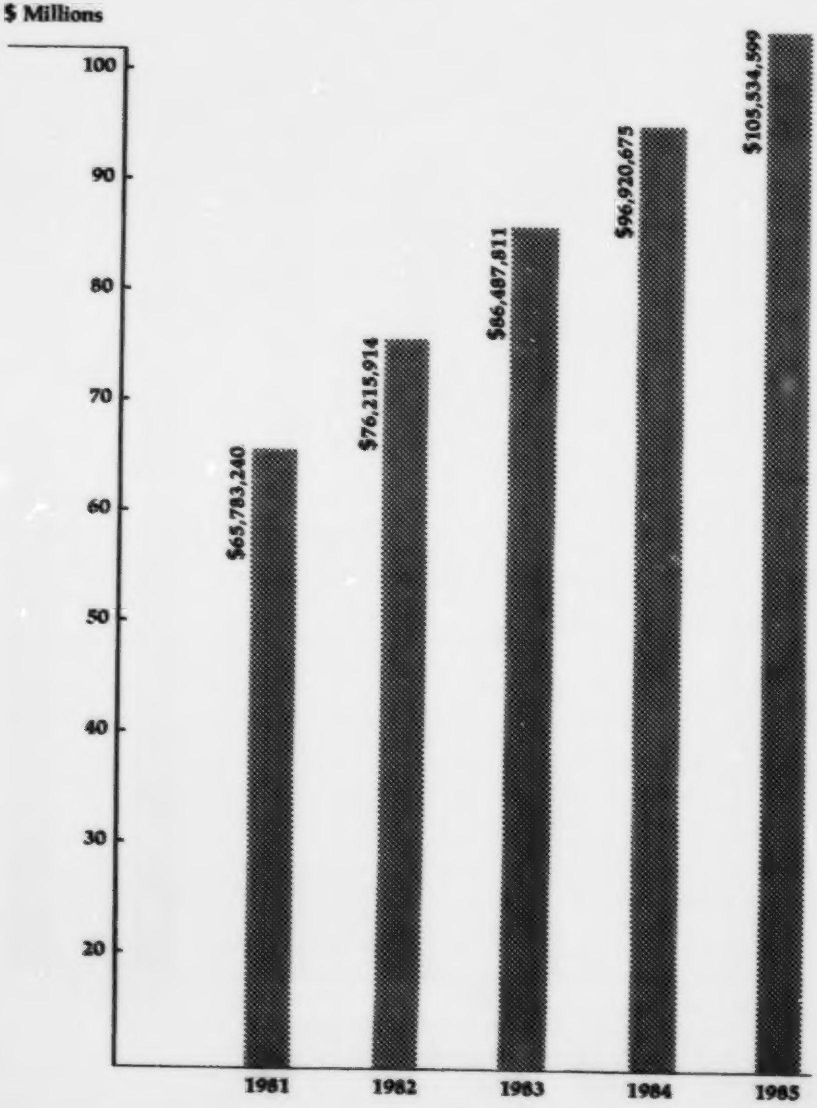
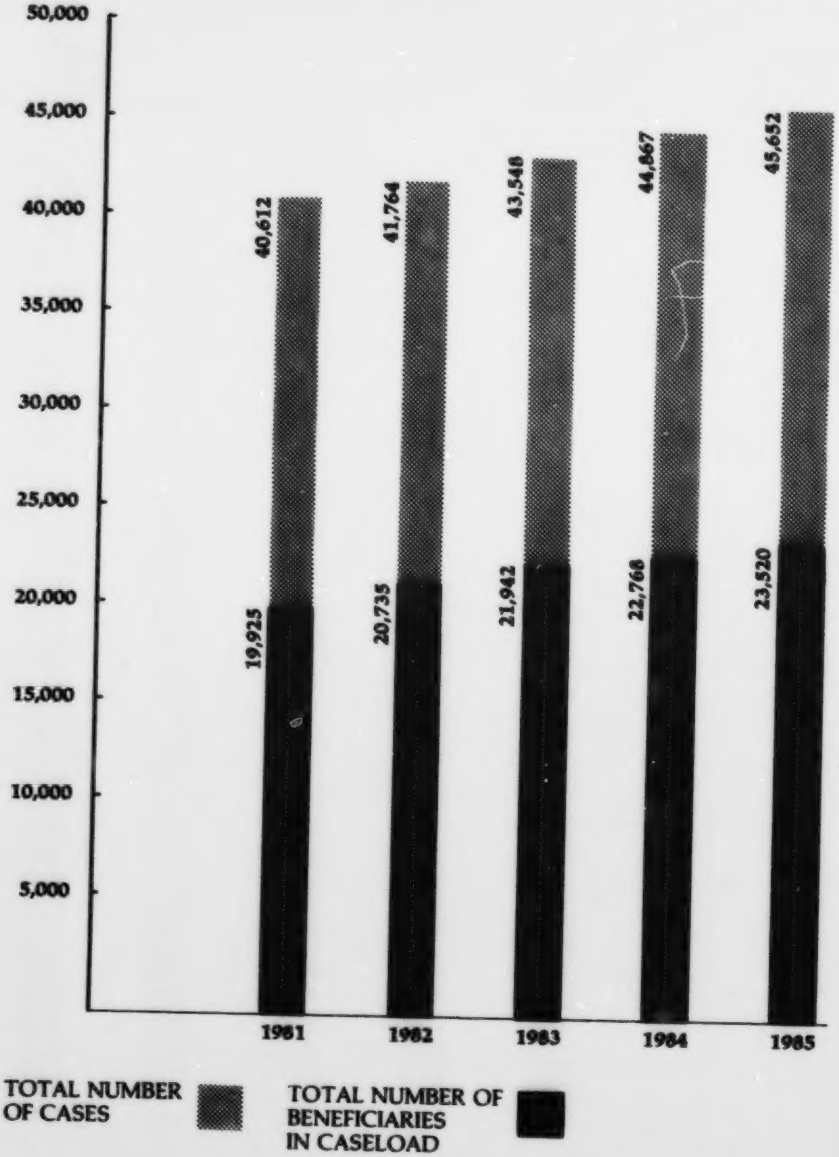


Chart 7

Family Benefits Recipients in Relation to Beneficiaries

1981 to 1985



Social Services

Rehabilitation and Community Services Division

James A. MacIsaac, M.S.W., Administrator

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division is comprised of the following sections:

- Rehabilitation and Community Services
- Services to the Mentally Handicapped
- Municipal Social Services
- Classifications and Assessments.

The primary responsibility of this division is to see that a full range of rehabilitation services, financial income maintenance programs, Homes for Special Care, community-based residential options, vocational workshops and provincial facilities are provided for the socially, physically and mentally handicapped and for aged people.

The division is involved in the orderly development, maintenance and co-ordination of these social services programs. This involves setting standards and conducting program evaluations, consultation and inspection for licensing and ensuring that accurate assessments are made on all departmental clients. These services are provided under the authority of the Social Assistance Act, the Homes for Special Care Act, and the Federal-Provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement. (Refer to Tables 24,25).

Staff of Rehabilitation and Community Services

Rehabilitation and Community Services

George H. Matthews, Director

Community Services

Adult Service Centres and Workshops

The Sydney Kinsmen Resource Centre in Sydney was completed and opened by the Minister of Social Services on November 21, 1984. The Department made its final payment of $41,000 to the facility in this fiscal year.

The Minister also opened the new addition of the CAMR Workshop in Antigonish on February 18, 1985. This addition will handle the work contracted from the new Philatelic Centre to this workshop.

The Ark Workshop in Lower Branch, Lunenburg County, opened a satellite operation in Bridgewater for furniture refinishing and repair. The Ark also initiated a new program of landscaping with the Town of Bridgewater; it has a contract to plant and care for all the town's flowerbeds. This program involves one staff person and five workers during the spring, summer and early fall of this year.

Program audits were carried out on nine of the workshops during this year, bringing to 21 the total of workshops audited to date.

Negotiations were carried out with a group from New Waterford interested in starting a workshop in the Town to have them participate in the new Resource Centre in Sydney. These negotiations were concluded successfully, and the travel to Sydney by public transit has not presented any problems.

Several workshops received Canada Employment grants to cover the costs of employing additional staff during the year. Many others participated in the Department's Summer Employment Program.

The budget for the workshops for this fiscal year was $2,200,000.

Work Activity Projects

The two work activity projects in Halifax and Dartmouth continued to provide services to individuals who have difficulty finding and keeping a job. The special life skills and on-the-job work experience these projects offer has resulted in a high placement rate of individuals in full-time employment. The budgets of both projects were frozen for the second consecutive year, at $425,000; outside funding was obtained so these projects could continue to maintain the same level of service.

The project sponsored by the South Shore Community Association, (the South Shore Work Activity Project, located in Chester) moved into high gear during the year. It is expected that the maximum number of participants will be reached in the fall of 1985. The total payment to this facility during the fiscal year was $185,000.

Special Projects

Norma Lloyd, Supervisor

The 1984 Summer Employment Programs continued to employ high school and university students in challenging positions. The programs offered disabled individuals an opportunity to participate in a day of residential camping experience not otherwise available.

The day camp for Autistic Children was again operated and supervised by the Department. The major portion of the funding for the program this year came from the federal government, with the Department picking up the remaining costs. The Employment Program for Young Disabled individuals was again offered. It provided jobs for those individuals who would not ordinarily be able to compete in the regular labor market. Seven day camps were operated in Halifax, Dartmouth, Sackville and New Waterford for children with special needs.

The Department also ran a camp at Camp Hilles, West Paradise towards the end of the summer for interested senior citizens from Sackville and Dartmouth.

The Counsellor-in-Training Program provided an extensive eight-week training program for those young people who were not old enough or who did not have the necessary skills to fill a camp counsellors position. The program culminated in a seven-day camp for children from the Sackville area. This gave counsellors-in-training a chance to use their newly acquired skills in an actual camping situation.

Students were employed in the following area, during the summer of 1984:

Working with Young Disabled	36
Social Services Group Homes	19
Development Group Homes	36
Autistic Day Camp	19
Camp Hilles	18
Camp Aite Breagh	19
Camp Canso	19
Day Camps	29
Counsellor-in-training	22
Adult Service Centres	35
Homes for Special Care	136
Clerical Positions	84
Working with Disabled Adults	23
Working with Single Parents	24
Homemakers	20
TOTAL	501

The Department of Development paid for 379 of these positions under its Provincial Employment Summer Program.

Rehabilitation

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons

Ronald L'Esperance, B.A., M.Ed, Co-ordinator

Under the Federal-Provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act and Agreement (VRDP), this program provides vocational assessment and planning services to disabled persons throughout the province. The VRDP Agreement establishes the definition of disability and financial commitment in which the two levels of government participate.

The staff of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program work with the Department of Education and the Canada Employment & Immigration Commission (CEIC) to provide an individualized vocational plan for disabled people applying for service. Training for disabled individuals includes the usual range of options, from trades training to university education. Pre-vocational training and academic upgrading are provided when required.

Training allowances are paid to vocational rehabilitation clients attending a training program by either the Department of Education or CEIC. A medical or adaptive aid may be required to enable some disabled people to participate in a training program. The Department of Social Services supplies the funds to meet the cost of these devices.

Some disabled persons require a period of work assessment to determine their aptitudes and ability to work. In these cases, a work assessment program is arranged by the vocational rehabilitation consellor in concert with an employer who agrees to accept the disabled person in a work setting for from two weeks to three months. During this period, factors such as work habits, ability to follow directions, initiative, attendance, and potential for training and/or employment are assessed. Using this valuable information, the vocational rehabilitation consellor, in conjunction with the client, can determine the best course of action for occupational or on-the-job training.

The primary objective of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Disabled Persons is to enable such individuals to become gainfully employed following a period of assessment, counselling, and training. As a result of the services, many disabled Nova Scotians are able to become employed and assume an independent lifestyle.

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division in concert with the Family Benefits Division provides vocational rehabilitation services for single parents receiving Family Benefits (see Table 26).

The objectives of this program are two-fold:

- to enable single parents to become gainfully employed on either a part-time or full-time basis following a period of assessment, counselling, and training or retraining if required.
- to enhance and augment single parents family management and parenting skills.

The primary emphasis is to enable single parents who are receiving Family Benefits to become financially independent of public social assistance.

The services provided under the auspices of this program include educational or vocational assessment or both, individual and group guidance and counselling, development of an individualized vocational and family management plan, assistance with training and employment placement, job stabilization and follow-up services, and referral services.

To offset the additional costs, the single parent may incur while participating in an approved vocational training program, the Department of Social Services can provide a rehabilitation allowance to a maximum of $200 per month, over and above the Family Benefits payment. This rehabilitation allowance may be used for one or a combination of the following expenses:

- course tuition (non-university)
- approved transportation costs
- approved child care expenses
- items of special need (including clothing or other work-related expenses associated with the Vocational Rehabilitation Program).

The program is designed to complement the work incentive provisions within the Family Benefits Program and to augment, not duplicate, services that currently exist in the community for single parents. Participants of the program who become employed and who find that it is not working out for just cause within a six-month period may have their Family Benefits restored without a lengthy reapplication process.

Services to the Mentally Handicapped

Ross Thorpe, B.Ed., M.A., Director

This section is concerned with the delivery of residential services, and the development and co-ordination of other programs appropriate to the needs of the mentally handicapped. Mentally handicapped people include those who are intellectually or developmentally impaired and those who are functionally disabled as a result of mental illness or long-term institutionalization.

The services delivered come under two categories:

- services directly financed and managed by the Department (i.e., Children's Training Centres, Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, and a Foster Home Program for Mentally Handicapped Children)
- services of the organizations which operate with the guidance of the Department and whose operating costs are cost-shared by the Province (i.e., Adult Residential Centres, Community Residences, Palmeter's Nursing Home and Regional Rehabilitation Centres).

The Department works closely with voluntary organizations and municipalities to develop more comprehensive systems of service delivery so that each mentally handicapped person may become as fully integrated with the community as his/her disability will allow.

Future placement of mentally handicapped people in institutions will hopefully be limited to those individuals requiring a degree of programming, supervision or care that cannot be provided in smaller community residential situations.

Children's Services

William A. McCarron, B.A., M.S.W.
Co-ordinator of Services to the Mentally Handicapped

A mentally handicapping condition can range from very mild to very severe. As well, mental handicap may be accompained by one or more forms of physical disability. Such physical disabilities also range from mild to severe. Thus, an array of services is required to meet the needs of children at various levels of functioning. This array of services also provides a progression through which the child can move.

These services include:

- residential placement, education and training at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre (see Table 27)
- foster home care
- personal care and training in a Children's Training Centre (see Table 28)
- personal care and training in a Nursing Home

Personal Care and Training in a Children's Training Centre

(Centre Locations - Dartmouth, Digby, Pictou and Sydney)

Children's Training Centres are residential training facilities providing personal care and developmental training to severely mentally handicapped children. These children, for a variety of reasons, are unable to remain at home with their natural parents.

The goal of the Children's Training Centre is to have children learn basic life skills such as feeding, dressing, and toilet training, so that they can eventually return to their homes or to non-institutionalized settings. In pursuit of this goal, counselling staff at the Children's Training Centres carry out individual programs for each child in residence. As well, an academic teacher on the staff of each Children's Training Centre provides modified academic classroom instruction to the children. Each child is encouraged to develop to the fullest extent of his or her abilities. A number of children in the Children's Training Centres have progressed to the point where they can now attend special education classes in the regular school system on a day basis while living at the Children's Training Centre.

When a child is admitted to a Children's Training Centre, the parent or legal guardian of the child is required to sign a Voluntary Care Agreement, under the Children's Services Act. This agreement means that the parents maintain legal custody of their child and that the Department of Social Services through the Children's Training Centre agrees to provide the child with care and training for a period of one year. Parents are encouraged to remain actively involved in their child's training, initially by participating in long-term goal setting, and thereafter by maintaining frequent contact with their child by taking the child home on vacations and holidays and by visiting regularly. The Voluntary Care Agreement for one year may be renewed as required.

The Children's Training Centres also offer a service called respite care. This service is offered to families who are maintaining a severely mentally handicapped child at home. Respite care means that the Children's Training Centre will take such a child in for a weekend, a week, or some such short time period to give the family a break from the continual care such a child demands.

All admissions to the Children's Training Centres, whether regular or respite, are screened by an admissions committee. This committee gathers all necessary information on each child seeking admission and decides which program placement is in the child's best interests. (Refer to Table 28)

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

John A. Walker, M.S.W., Superintendent

The Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre is a provincial residential school operated by the Department of Social Services for mildly and moderately handicapped children. The school is located in Bible Hill, Colchester County.

It is the policy of the admissions committee that, whenever possible, children remain in their own homes and attend school in their local area. For social, educational and family reasons, it is not possible for some children to benefit from community programs; for these reasons the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre exists.

The primary purpose of the centre is to provide education and training so that these children will be better prepared for life in the community. All programs are planned to help students develop intellectually, socially, and emotionally. Through this program it is expected that the students can return to, and participate in, a community setting. The school program is greatly enhanced by existing programs and organizations in the nearby community. Students participate in community work programs, local clubs such as Sea Cadets, Air Cadets, Boys and Girls Clubs, and the Y.M.C.A. They also participate in local sports events in co-operation with the local schools.

The centre is designed to accommodate 198 students. Its facilities include residences, classroom complex, indoor pool, gymnasium and extensive playgrounds, and outdoor rinks. The centre operates during the school year and all students return to their communities for summer and Christmas vacations. Services are directly financed and directed by the Department of Social Services.

Foster Home Care

This program provides the child with an alternate home setting either on a temporary or permanent basis. A foster home placement is sometimes preferable to placing the child in an institutional facility. Most children placed in foster homes attend classes in local schools.

At the present time, a maximum of 35 children, ranging in age from six months to 18 years, can be accommodated in the Special Foster Care Program. The placement and supervision of the children in foster homes is the responsibility of two Social Service workers—one located in Truro and the other in Halifax.

The emphasis in this program is increasingly on helping children's agencies to arrange for the foster home and helping them cope with the special needs of mentally handicapped children.

Foster Care Statistics

Children in foster homes as of March 31, 1985	15
Children admitted to foster care April 1, 1984 — March 31, 1985	1
Children discharged, April 1, 1984 — March 31, 1985	7
Active foster homes	10

Personal Care and Training in a Nursing Home

This level of care is reserved for mentally handicapped children requiring nursing care or very heavy personal care or both. As of March 31, 1985, 24 children resided in this setting. The emphasis in this unit is on nursing, personal care and developmental training.

Adult Institutional Services

Mrs. Barb Carbonall, R.N.
Co-Ordinator - Services for the Post Mentally Ill

Adult institutional services for the mentally handicapped provide accommodation and programs for:

- individuals who have previously received treatment as psychiatric casualties, usually as in-patients of psychiatric facilities
- other mentally handicapped adults, many of whom have behaviour disorders or
- people with degenerative disorders, including the aged, who have additional behaviour problems that make them unsuitable for other placement alternatives.

These services are provided in two types of programs—Regional Rehabilitation Centres and Adult Residential Centres.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

These are situated in Waterville, Kings County, for the western region; Sydney River, Cape Breton County, for people from Cape Breton Island; and in Cole Harbour, Halifax County, for people from the rest of mainland Nova Scotia.

These centres are intended to provide the most intensive level of rehabilitation and developmental programming for people with the highest potential to move on to less restrictive alternatives in the community. They have a level of staffing and expertise necessary to respond to people whose disordered behaviour represents severe management problems.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres are operated by local levels of government under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and are cost-shared 100% by the Department. Centres have a total current capacity of 380 people (see Table 29).

Adult Residential Centres

These are situated at Sydney River, Mabou, Riverton, Pugwash, Beaverbank, Barrington, Yarmouth, Dayspring and Bridgetown. They serve a second level of needs for individuals who are mentally handicapped, in particular, for those who require more stable longer-term living environments. Rehabilitation training and developmental programming form a significant but less intensive part of their services.

Adult Residential Centres continue to seek closer relationships with their neighbourhood communities and services, (e.g., dentists, clinics, library services, sheltered workshops and job experience training). In many cases, these people/facilities are closely involved with local branches of advocacy organizations working for the mentally handicapped and play a major role in further developing public awareness of the needs of the mentally handicapped.

Adult Residential Centres can currently accommodate 822 mentally handicapped people and are operated by various municipalities, municipal corporations or private corporations. The Department reimburses municipalities two-thirds of the cost of services in these facilities.

1985 was a year of intensive planning related to replacement facilities in Annapolis and Cape Breton counties.

Community Residential Services

André McConnell, B.A., M.S.W. Co-ordinator

Since 1969, when the first group home opened, the number of specialized community residences for mentally handicapped and physically disabled adults has grown to 31 with one residence in the implementation state. The breakdown is as follows:

In operation	
Group homes for mentally handicapped persons	16
Developmental residences for mentally handicapped persons	9
Group homes for former psychiatric patients	5
Group homes for physically disabled persons	1
	31
Implementation stage	
Group Homes for the mentally handicapped	1

These are all small residential facilities; most were family homes renovated to accommodate from six to ten residents. Programs vary according to the needs of the residents. All stress the development of basic life and community integration skills, necessary to help the individual to eventually live as independently as possible.

The residents normally work or take part in vocational and educational programs during the day They are encouraged to use available community services and recreational facilities whenever possible. Funding is shared by the municipal provincial and federal levels of government.

A number of community residential alternatives to institutional care, among which are group homes and developmental residences, continue to become available. In many parts of the Province, apartment living arrangements are another option in which two or more people share an apartment, with either live-in or drop-in supervision.

Other alternatives are community training homes operating in Kings and Digby counties. They provide an opportunity for individuals to live in households in the community with private citizens. The surrogate parents (residential associates) are screened, trained and supervised by professional staff. The focus is on self-help skills and social adjustment for severely mentally handicapped individuals.

Many mentally handicapped adults are also accommodated in residential care facilities and foster homes under the auspices of municipal governments.

There is a movement toward grouping community residential services of all types under the auspices of a regional residential board. There are presently five such regional boards operating across the Province.

The pilot project for the provision of respite care, which began in January 1981, became an established program in July 1982. The main objective of this program is to provide occasional respite care for individuals living in the community and is intended to be utilized for emergencies, vacations and short breaks for the primary care provider. Except in extenuating circumstances, 30 days is recommended as the maximum annual stay for one person.

There is one group home for physically disabled adults, which is located in Halifax. This home provides living accommodations for six physically handicapped adults and is staffed on a full-time basis. The focus is to provide as independent a life-style as possible for each resident. Residents are expected to share responsibility for the running of the home and most plan to upgrade their education with the ultimate goal of employment. Through the experiences gained from living in the home many individuals have moved on to less structured settings in the community.

In 1985, one new group home project in Cheticamp has reached the final approved phase and three proposals for additional community residences are under consideration from communities in the western region of the Province.

Classifications and Assessments

Malcolm R. McFarlane, Ph.D., Supervisor

The Classifications and Assessments Section ensures that policies and procedures are developed and implemented with respect to classifications, assessments, admissions, readmissions and discharges relating to adult facilities licensed under the Homes for Special Care Act. It is also responsible for ensuring that, where appropriate, all applications for admission/readmission to these facilities are properly classified and that regular reassessments are conducted on residents in these facilities by staff of this section and by the community health nurses.

For the fiscal year 1984-85, some 3,819 applications were received requesting classifications for admission/readmission to Homes for Special Care and/or reclassifications within Homes. Forty-two of these applications were subsequently cancelled while 113 of the remainder were not approved. The number of applications received for the previous fiscal year was 3,433 and for 1982-83 was 3,345.

The two largest referral sources of the 3,664 applications approved/reapproved were from hospitals and the applicants' homes. Thus 1,940 (an increase of 394 over the previous fiscal year) or approximately 53% originated from general hospitals. The additional 298 referrals from the in-patient psychiatric facilities created a total of 2,240 or approximately 61% of all applications approved/reapproved from all hospitals.

Similarly, there were 982 applications approximately 27%, approved/reapproved from their individual homes. This number represents an increase of 113 referrals from the previous fiscal year. The combined figures from all hospitals and from own homes amount to 3,220 applications or 88% of the total of 3,664 referrals which were approved/reapproved. Table 30 provides further statistical breakdown of the sources of referrals and the types of approvals.

The section is also charged with determining the eligibility of applicants seeking admission to the Home Life Supports Program. This program is intended to meet the needs of senior citizens or disabled people requiring full-or part-time care from needy family members so that they can remain independently in their own homes and communities. These individuals would otherwise require placement in Homes for Special Care. For the fiscal year 1984-85, 120 applications were received and assessed.

An integral part of the section's mandate is to coordinate all information (social histories, psychological, educational, medical assessments, etc.) related to applications for admission to the program for mentally handicapped children. This involves preparing the necessary documentation for the admissions committee and implementing the committee's decisions. There were approximately 65 applicants for admission to the Retarded Children's Program during the fiscal year (see **Services for the Mentally Handicapped.**).

The section is directly responsible for the resident maintenance function of the Management Information System. This involves converting information on residents from a manual to a computer system and includes continuous updating of information on these and new residents. Currently the section is involved in the development of an on-line system to replace the batch system. The on-line system will have instant update and retrieval capabilites vital in responding quickly to urgent information demands.

Municipal Social Services

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General Assistance and Administration

The Provincial Social Assistance Act (Part II) authorizes the municipal level of government to provide financial assistance on a cost-shared basis to people in need for a short time or those who require supplementation to income that is insufficient to meet their needs.

A needs test is used to determine initial and ongoing eligibility and the amount of assistance required. Assistance payments are calculated by totalling the costs of items such as food, clothing, shelter, fuel, utilities, household supplies and personal requirements, and deducting from the total any financial resources which the municipality considers available for current maintenance. Items of special need may also be included (e.g., drugs).

The Act provides for the payment of maintenance costs on behalf of people in Homes for Special Care.

Each municipality must submit its policy on social assistance once a year, on September 15. Policy statements must fall within the minimum requirements as stated in the Social Assistance Act, Regulations, provincial policies, and have the approval of the Minister of Social Services. Each municipality establishes its own rates for food, shelter and clothing. Besides providing financial assistance on an ongoing basis, municipalities may grant emergency assistance to cover urgent and immediate needs.

The Social Assistance Act provides for the sharing of general assistance costs at a minimum of 75% for all municipalities having organized Municipal Social Services departments approved by the Minister of Social Services. Provincial cost-sharing exceeds 75% in those units where the fiscal need is greater than the 75% minimum. Administration costs are also shared on the basis of this formula. (Refer to Tables 31-33, Charts 8, 9.)

Minister of Social Services Honourable Edmund L. Morris and Mrs. Ruth Stockard cutting the ribbon opening the new expansion to the Annapolis Royal Nursing Home.

Homes for Special Care

Special care facilities throughout Nova Scotia provide supervisory, personal and nursing care for disabled and elderly Nova Scotians who are unable to live independently. Homes for Special Care include: 36 Homes for the Aged (3,547 beds), 22 Nursing Homes (1,715 beds), 61 Residential Care Facilities (1,035 beds), 11 Adult Residential Centres (824 beds), and 31 community-based Residential Facilities (256 beds), for a total of 7,404 residents.

All people being admitted to Homes for Special Care requiring public funds for care are classified through the Provincial Classification Committee, chaired by the Supervisor of Classifications and Assessments. (The composition and duties of this committee are further described in the section of this report entitled **Classifications and Assessments**.)

The admission procedure includes an application for social assistance, budget sheet, a Social Service worker's report and a medical report to be completed by the applicant's personal physician. The completed Social Service worker's report and the medical report are submitted by the Municipal Social Services worker to the Department of Social Services for consideration. If the application is approved, the person may then be placed in an appropriate facility with the assurance that maintenance costs will be shared. When the application for admission to a Home for Special Care is not approved, there are provisions for an appeal.

All facilities providing care and supervision are licensed under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and Regulations. Standards are ensured in Homes for Special Care by inspections from provincial Social Services staff. Provincial staff responsible for the inspections and program development have expertise in nursing care, dietetic services and the psychosocial needs of the residents. Special consultants from the Department of Housing and Fire Marshal's Office are available to advise the Department of Social Services on technical matters relating to the construction and operation of these homes.

Per diem rates are set by the Rate Review Committee.

The Department conducts education seminars regionally for the staff of these homes. The basic philosophy underlying these seminars is the concept of total care for residents. This implies an approach using available resources within the home and the community, to provide opportunities for residents to function to their fullest capacity.

The provincial government cost-shares with the municipalities at two-thirds of net costs for people maintained in licensed Homes for Special Care. (Refer to Chart 9.)

A municipality, or two or more municipalities, may construct and operate homes under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act. The actual responsibility for their administration then rests with the local municipalities within the provisions of the Municipal Housing Corporation Act. Their by-laws must be approved by the Ministers of Social Services and Municipal Affairs.

All municipalities operating Homes for Special Care must appoint Boards of Management as stipulated in the legislation.

A task force on Homes for Special Care was set up in 1983 by the Minister of Social Services, Honourable Edmund L. Morris. The results of this task force were made available in 1984, and are in the process of being implemented.

The following facility changes occurred during the 1984/85 fiscal year:

- Rosedale opened. This is a 29-bed Home for the Aged located in New Germany.
- a 25-bed extension to the Harbour View Haven in Lunenburg was completed.
- a 20-bed replacement Residential Care Facility was constructed in Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

The following facilities have received approval and are under construction:

- a 24-bed Home for the Aged, Arichat, Richmond Co., Cape Breton.
- a 20-bed Nursing Home, Neils Harbour, Victoria Co., Cape Breton.
- a 17-bed extension to Annapolis Royal Nursing Home, Annapolis, is nearing completion.

Food Service Workers Graduation

Dietetic Consultant Services

Training programs, organized in six regions of the Province, climaxed in an annual meeting of food service directors, dietitians and supervisors from all Special Care Facilities held at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic Meeting Room. Forty homes were represented.

During 1984, some 53 food service workers registered for the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Social Services Food Service Workers Program.

The Annual Cooks' Workshop for Day Care and Special Care Facilities cooks was held at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, Truro. Thirty-two cooks attended and received certificates from the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology Continuing Education. A number have registered in the apprenticeship training programs. An upgrading to Journeyman Cook is in progress in Shelburne at the Nova Scotia School for Boys.

In July 1983, a Committee of Food Service Directors representing all parts of the Province, and the various homes, analyzed food service management in Special Care Facilities. The packages are nearing completion for publication by year end, 1985.

The *Meals on Wheels — Wheels to Meals Directory* was updated for 1984 and circulated to all municipalities, Homes for Special Care, and hospitals. A steadily increasing number of programs have been documented.

Consultant services were provided for the development of an Environmental Services Course to a working committee from Special Care Facilities. A pilot program is anticipated for 1985-86.

Direct Service continued to be provided to the four Children's Training Centres, Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, School for Boys and School for Girls, in developing the management of the food service and menu planning. The Food Service Cost Survey was conducted twice in 1984. Nourishment costs, non-resident meals, recoveries have been added.

Involvement with Nutrition Month Promotion continues. Stickers and information were provided for all municipal unit offices, Homes for Special Care and Day Care Centres.

Involvement continues with the Nova Scotia Dietetic Association, Food Service Supervisors Advisory Committee, Food Service Workers, Nova Scotia Gerontology Association, Canadian Association Gerontology - Newsletter, Atlantic Provinces Dietetic Consultants. Contact with the Canadian Food Service Executive Association has been initiated.

Table 24

Sources and Types of Rehabilitation Cases Referred

1984-1985

Amputations	14
Spinal Cord Injuries	64
Arthritis, Rheumatism	54
Bone Impairment	94
Cerebral Palsy	35
Auditory	77
Visual	26
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	46
Neurological, Epilepsy, Polio	67
Respiratory	24
Cardiovascular	38
Mental Deficiency	181
Mental Illness or Disorder	226
Miscellaneous	123
Total New Cases Referred	1,169
Total Cases Carried Over	1,054
Total Cases	2,223

Services Provided	**Number**	**Cost**
Assessment: medical & vocational	114	$9,813.95
Technical aids	67	$16,133.11
Special training costs	37	$4,026.38
Family Benefits/Rehabilitation Fund	87	$27,770.00
Department of Education training costs (Department of Education VRDP expenditures)	183	($909,300.00)
Clients approved for training:		
Recommended	426	
Approved	360	
Entered	332	
Discontinued	72	
Completed	104	
Information from 595 cases closed:		
Number of cases closed — rehabilitated	347	
Number of cases closed — not rehabilitated	248	
Average age	27	
Average education (Grade)	8	
Number receiving Family Benefits or Municipal Assistance	264	
Field office and collateral counselling interviews	18,325	

Table 25

Housing Statistics 1984-85	**Total**
Number of Family Benefits housing repair cases finalized in 1984, and $ value	89 $390,650
Number of new units built under Rural and Native in 1984 and $ value	26 $1,546,000
Number of new units built since start of Rural and Native and $ value	242 $4,734,713
Number of units repaired under RRAP in 1984 and $ value	41 $313,600
Number of units repaired under NSHC's Small Loans Program and $ value	17 $52,500
Number of units receiving NSHC's Emergency Repair funds and $ value	9 $14,600
Number of units receiving assistance under Access-a-Home Program and $ value	8 $14,300
Number of referrals received that did not relate to housing	3,529
Number of day care assessments in 1984	549
Community programs and various group involvement	19
Number of referrals receiving Senior Citizens Grants in North Preston and $ value	6 $18,000
Number of referrals receiving Rehabilitation Services and $ value	1 $1,200

Table 26

Vocational Rehabilitation Program For Single Parents Statistical Profile

March 31, 1985

	Central Region	Cape Breton Region	North Shore Region	Halifax Metro Region	Western Region
Average Age of Mother	24.7 yr.	26.0 yr.	23.4 yr.	26.1 yr.	27.4 yr.
Average Age of Children	5.1 yr.	5.9 yr.	6.4 yr.	6.2 yr.	6.8 yr.
Average Number of Children	1.42	1.53	1.44	1.56	1.46
Average Monthly Payment*	$134	$142	$137	$117	$137
Average Time to Employability	1.9 yr.	2.4 yr.	2.5 yr.	1.6 yr.	2.7 yr.
Total Number of Single Parents	149	173	120	281	97

TOTAL NUMBER IN PROGRAM: 820

*The average monthly payment represents the average reimbursement for actual costs incurred in undertaking vocational rehabilitation planning and is in addition to the regular Family Benefits payment.

Table 27

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

1. Children in school April 1, 1984	Girls	Boys	Total
	50	107	157

2. Admissions during year	Girls	Boys	Total
(a) As wards of C.A.S.	5	6	11
(b) As wards of Director	0	0	0
(c) As non-wards	9	16	25
			36

3. Discharges during year	Girls	Boys	Total
(a) To own home	5	18	23
(b) Group home	1	0	1
(c) Foster home	6	8	14
(d) Institution	—	—	—
(e) Deceased	1	1	2
(f) Supervised apartment	1	0	1
			41

4. Children in school March 31, 1984	Girls	Boys	Total
	50	102	152

5. Total days care to all children			44,652

6. Classification of admission (4) by religion	Girls	Boys	Total
(a) Protestant	8	12	20
(b) Roman Catholic	6	9	15
(c) Other	0	1	1
			36

7. Classification of admission (4) by ages

Age	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Girls	1	1	1	3	5	—	3	—	—	—	14
Boys	1	7	3	3	1	1	4	1	1	—	22
Total	2	8	4	6	6	1	7	1	1	—	36

8. Classification of discharges (3) by ages

Age	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Girls	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	8	—	14
Boys	—	—	—	2	—	1	5	8	8	3	27
Total	1	—	—	2	—	2	6	11	16	3	41

9. Classification of admissions (2) by I.Q.

I.Q.	25-29	30-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51-55	56-60	61-65	66-70	71-75	Total
Girls	—	4	3	1	—	1	1	1	1	2	14
Boys	2	6	1	3	4	3	1	—	1	1	22
Total	2	10	4	4	4	4	2	1	2	3	36

10. Classification of children in school (4) by I.Q.

I.Q.	20-25	26-29	30-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51-55	56-60	61-65	66-70	71-75	Total
Girls	1	4	4	3	11	3	5	5	4	3	7	50
Boys	—	7	10	10	11	7	17	7	15	12	6	102
Total	1	11	14	13	22	10	22	12	19	15	13	152

11. Classification of children (4) by ages

Age	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Girls	—	2	2	5	10	7	4	8	10	2	50
Boys	—	6	7	11	11	15	17	13	17	5	102
Total	—	8	9	16	21	22	21	21	27	7	152

12. **Total cost of operation** excluding capital expenditures and maintenance of buildings. Including adjustments for rents, meals and inventory adjustments	$3,581,968.66
13. **Number of child care days 1984-85**	44,652
14. **Per diem rate**	$80.22

Table 28

Statistics for Children's Training Centres

April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985

	Dartmouth	Digby	Pictou	Sydney	Total
Admissions	0	3	0	1	4
Respite Care	9	9	4	9	21
Discharges					
Own Home	2	—	0	—	2
Foster Home	0	1	3	—	4
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre	0	1	2	1	4
Palmeters Nursing Care Unit	0	—	0	—	0
N.S. Hospital	0	0	0	—	0
Deceased	0	0	0	1	1
Transferred	0	0	0	—	0
Adult Facility	3	1	2	3	9
Other	0	—	0	—	0
Group Homes	0	—	0	—	0
Regional Rehabilitation Centre	0	1	0	—	1
Total Discharges					21

Table 29

Statistics for Regional Rehabilitation Centres

April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985

Total in residence as of April 1, 1984	357
Total admissions — April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985	158
Discharges — April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985 to:	
Other Regional Rehabilitation Centres	—
Adult Residential Centres	17
Nursing Homes	4
Group Homes & Developmental Residences	15
Homes for the Aged	3
Residential Care Facilities	3
In care of their family	11
Independent living	25
Hospitals	68
Died	7
Total Discharges	153
Total in residence as of March 31, 1985	362
Total resident days	131,251

Table 30

Persons Approved To and From Homes for Special Care

April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985

APPROVED FROM	Licensed Nursing Homes	Homes for Aged (P)	Homes for Aged (N)	Homes for Aged (S)	Residential Care Facilities
Own Home	47	449	244	63	76
General Hospitals	112	548	1019	65	82
Nova Scotia Hospitals	8	32	27	18	43
Other Psych. Facilities	3	10	5	—	12
Homes for Aged	4	94	73	11	4
Licensed Nursing Homes	3	15	33	—	2
Residential Care Facilities	2	22	15	2	16
Regional Rehabilitation Centres	1	1	3	—	5
Adult Residential Centres	2	6	4	—	7
Dev. Residences	—	—	—	—	—
Group Homes	—	—	—	—	—
Foster Homes	—	—	—	—	—
N.S.Y.T.C.	—	—	—	—	—
C.T.C.	—	—	—	—	—
Other	7	4	5	—	3
TOTALS	189	1181	1428	159	250

RRC's	ARC's	Group Homes	Dev. Residences	Foster Homes	TOTALS
21	23	47	12	—	982
35	59	18	2	—	1940
49	24	18	—	—	219
27	17	5	—	—	79
3	1	—	—	—	190
—	2	—	—	—	55
—	2	1	—	—	60
1	17	8	4	—	40
11	4	3	2	—	39
1	1	—	2	—	4
5	2	2	—	—	9
—	—	—	—	—	0
1	2	1	—	—	4
—	4	—	2	—	6
6	8	4	—	—	37
160	166	107	24	—	3664

*These figures include new approvals, approvals for re-admissions as well as approvals for reclassifications within Homes for Special Care.

Table 31

Homes for Special Care
Bed Statistics

March, 1985

County	Residential Care Facilities Number	Beds
Annapolis	5	45
Antigonish	1	40
Cape Breton	10	133
Colchester	6	152
Cumberland	6	143
Digby	2	33
Guysborough	0	0
Halifax	12	186
Hants	3	28
Inverness	3	23
Kings	6	131
Lunenburg	2	26
Pictou	2	39
Queens	1	32
Richmond	1	12
Shelburne	1	12
Victoria	0	0
Yarmouth	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	61	1035

Nursing Homes		Homes for the Aged		Total	
Number	Beds	Number	Beds	Number	Beds
2	41	1	106	8	192
0	0	1	106	2	146
3	361	4	349	17	843
2	163	1	51	9	366
2	121	1	65	9	329
0	0	2	149	4	182
1	30	1	41	2	71
5	648	6	1102	23	1936
0	0	3	255	6	283
0	0	2	120	5	143
2	139	1	100	9	370
1	35	4	288	7	349
0	0	4	443	6	482
1	42	1	60	3	134
1	11	1	75	3	98
1	26	1	65	3	103
0	0	1	69	1	69
1	79	1	103	2	182
22	1696	36	3547	119	6278

Table 32

Municipal Assistance Payments Under The Social Assistance Act

Year	General Assistance	Privately Operated Homes for Special Care	Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged	Municipally and Privately Operated Adult Residential Centres
1978	13,130,867.28	9,977,770.73	11,286,056.02	5,245,969.38
1979	14,956,068.43	10,218,080.96	14,077,024.43	5,918,575.22
1980	17,272,991.41	11,479,548.94	16,276,877.34	6,710,022.94
1981	19,614,346.56	13,587,760.78	18,660,820.79	7,485,568.87
1982	23,337,681.71	16,130,856.53	22,409,294.37	8,937,622.55
1983	25,605,816.40	17,290,294.31	25,201,771.85	9,492,993.24
1984-85	30,597,241.00	18,958,534.46	27,401,958.20	10,330,072.31

Table 33

Municipal Social Services Costs*

Item	Gross Municipal Expenditure ($)	Federal Share Provincial Share ($)	Net Municipal Expenditure ($)
Administration	7,848,968.00	6,021,094.00	1,827,874.00
Assistance Payments by Municipal Units to People for Basic and Special Requirements	30,597,241.00	23,437,486.00	7,159,755.00
Maintenance of People in Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged	27,401,958.20	18,267,971.00	9,133,987.20
Nursing Homes	13,645,615.44	9,097,076.05	4,548,539.39
Maintenance of People in Privately Operated Residential Care Facilities	2,249,626.32	1,499,750.73	749,875.59
Maintenance of People in Municipally and Privately Operated Adult Residential Centres	10,330,072.31	6,886,714.18	3,443,358.13
Maintenance of People in Privately Operated Group and Developmental Homes	3,063,292.70	2,042,194.92	1,021,097.78

*All figures are for the period April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985 except for Administration which covers the period January 1, 1984-December 31, 1984.

Chart 8

Municipal Assistance to Persons in Need

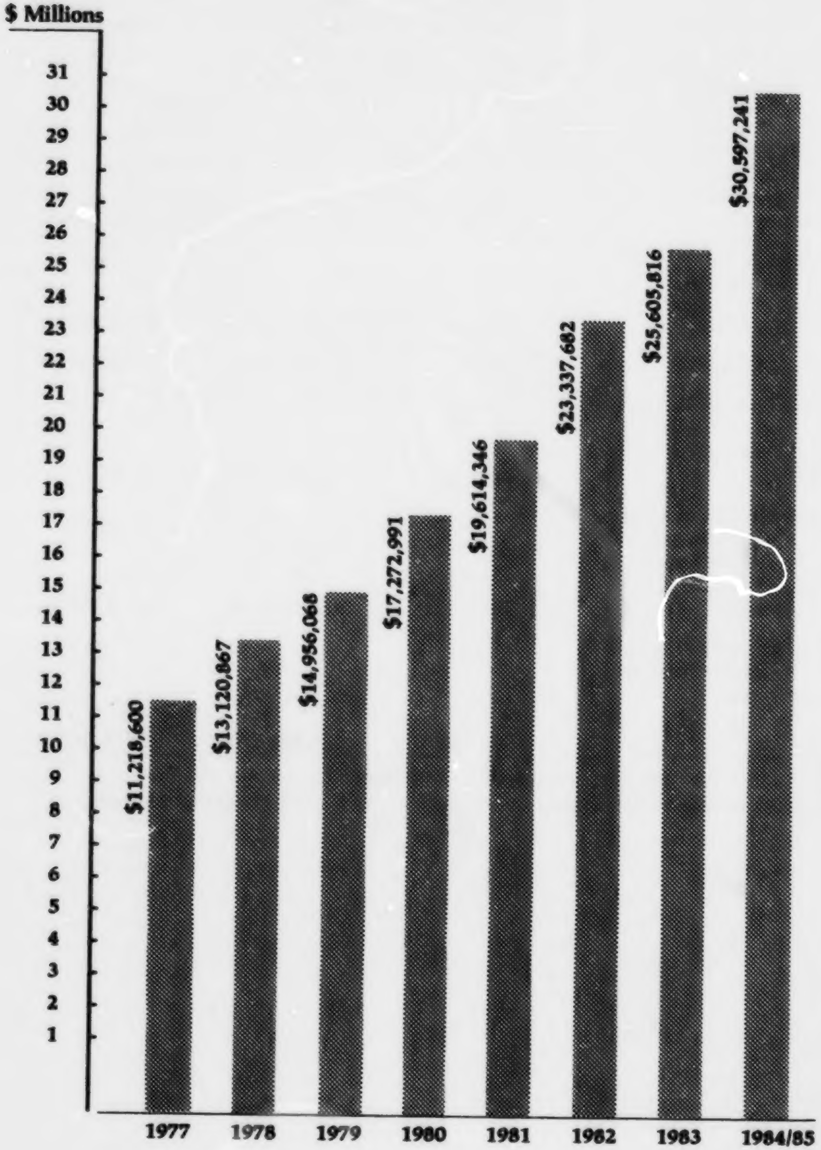
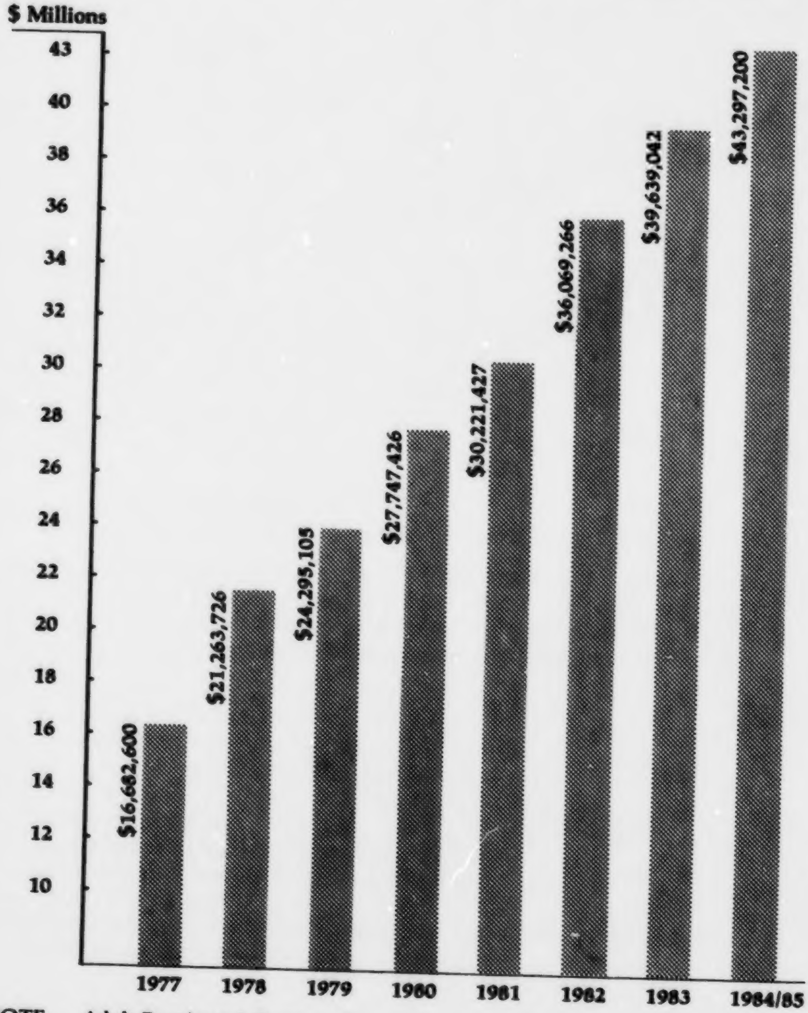


Chart 9

Homes For Special Care
(Nursing, Residential Care Facilities and Homes for the Aged)



NOTE: Adult Residential Centres, Group Homes and Developmental Residences are not included in these figures.

In 1983/84, cost sharing with municipalities began on a fiscal year basis, April 1, 1983 to March 31, 1984.

Policy Planning and Research Division

Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Director
Elizabeth McNaughton, M.S.W., M.A., Senior Research Officer

The Policy, Planning and Research Division is one of the three support divisions of the Department, providing a variety of services to program divisions. The division is also responsible for a number of specialized services and functions. Major functions/responsibilities of the division include:

- research and evaluation
- policy and program development and planning
- management information and computer services
- library services
- information services
- federal/provincial relations and negotiations
- social services training programs (external)
- Indian Affairs
- co-ordination of the Nova Scotia Social Services Council and the Nova Scotia Senior Citizens Commission.

Policy, Planning and Research

This area of the division is responsibile for a wide variety of services. In 1984-85 the four staff members (including the Director) who constitute this unit participated in or directed the following:

Staff of Policy, Planning and Research

- federal/provincial/territorial meetings and/or negotiations with respect to:
  - — the Agreement Respecting the Federal Contribution to Juvenile Justice Services under the Young Offenders Act
  - — the Continuing Committee dealing with matters related to the Canada Assistance Plan, the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement
  - — the Young Offenders Act Systems Development Contribution Program
  - — the interface between Canadian Assistance Plan and Young Offenders Act
  - — Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Social Services
  - — employability of social assistance recipients
  - — harmonization of the Federal Guaranteed Income Supplement with provincial programs for the aged
  - — study of a comprehensive disability protection program.
- program evaluation and design. This included:
  - — evaluation of the decentralization of decision making in Family Benefits
  - — evaluation of the child abuse media campaign
  - — evaluation design for the Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents
  - — development of a mechanism for evaluation of the Home Life Supports Program
  - — development of a design for the evaluation of the Young Offenders Community Development Projects.

Besides these activities, staff chaired or participated in a number of on-going committees such as the Offshore Issue Group, Social Monitoring Sub-Committee of the Offshore Issue Group, Implementation Committee for the Home Life Supports Program, the Federal-Provincial Immigration Committee and the Family Benefits/Municipal Assistance Integration Project. A staff member also co-ordinates and acts as secretary to deputy minister level interdepartmental committees on housing and social services, and health, education and social services.

Establishment of a computerized profile of Nova Scotians is underway. This collection of statistics will provide information on Nova Scotians who are receiving a variety of benefits from all three levels of government-municipal, provincial, federal. The project will be completed early in 1986.

Social Services Training Programs

Robert Haley, M.S.W., Chief Instructor

The Community Services Workers' Course is a 10-month training program operated by the Department from the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology. The curriculum focuses on preparing students to provide opportunities, experiences and options to handicapped individuals in residential and community settings. The major emphasis is on the knowledge, attitude and skills required to work with the physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped, as well as youth in conflict with the law. This course began September 1977 and thus far has graduated 175 students, including 27 in June of 1984.

The Personal Care Workers' Course was introduced in September 1978 to provide students with the knowledge and skills required to care for residents of Homes for Special Care. All students who come into the course must first be employed for three months in a Home for Special Care. This program is sponsored by the Homes for Special Care throughout Nova Scotia, and is provided in the Homes. It is co-ordinated by an advisory committee of departmental staff and associated Homes for Special Care. During the past year, 59 individuals wrote the provincial examination. Since its inception in 1978 some 1665 students have completed the course.

In co-operation with the Staff Training Section of the Department, a course for developmental workers was designed for staff working in the Adult Residential Centres and Regional Rehabilitation Centres. In-service staff helped greatly in the planning stages of this course and this program is now ready to be implemented.

Library

Jane Phillips, M.L.S., Librarian

Despite the upheaval of two moves last year, the Library maintained its services to the various groups it serves. These groups include department staff in both head office and field offices, social agencies, other government departments, students and university staff, other libraries and members of the general public. Over 600 books were circulated to these groups last year. Some of the Library's services are necessarily restricted to department staff; and where distribution is difficult, distribution is further limited to head office staff. An average of 30 issues of periodicals and newsletters were circulated to head office staff each month, as were over 1,700 newspaper clippings.

To maintain periodical subscriptions despite a dramatic increase in book and periodical subscription prices, the number of books ordered was reduced. Seventy-eight priced publications were ordered for the Library in the past year. Over 100 publications were catalogued for the departmental Library and 17 books ordered and catalogued for the Social Services Training Program Library.

The cataloguing and processing work was completed on the Volunteer Resource Collection, which is housed in the Library. The collection is intended to make available publications on recruitment, training and use of volunteers, and the development, coordination and evaluation of volunteer programs to volunteer organizations providing a social service in Nova Scotia. A booklist of all the publications in this collection was compiled and distributed to approximately 140 social agencies, which have responded favourably.

As in other years, the Nova Scotia Provincial Library provided an invaluable service to the departmental Library through its interlibrary loan and reference services.

Information Services

In the absence of an Information Officer, Policy, Planning and Research Division assumed most information-related activities. Staff of the Division assisted by staff from the Department of Government Services have undertaken a number of tasks in this area during 1984-85. Following is a summary:

- With funding from the Welfare Grants Directorate of Health and Welfare Canada, a media campaign on child abuse began in September, 1984 and was completed in January 1985. The theme of the campaign, which was directed at increasing public awareness of mandatory reporting and child abuse generally, was *Child Abuse Is Your Concern: Report It.*
- Displays were developed for the International Congress on Child Abuse, Senior Citizens' Week and Foster Parent Week. As well, a

Miss Bessie Harris, Director, Policy, Planning and Research

general display on the Department's programs and services was developed and has remained in use.

- The 1984 annual report for the Department was produced.
- Reprints of various pamphlets and design and production of new pamphlets were completed or were underway.

Besides these activities, staff regularly write press releases, articles on various aspects of the social services, speeches, ads for newspapers and assume other related sundry tasks.

Management Information Systems

Tom Conrad, B.Sc., Co-ordinator

Since 1975, the Department of Social Services has been in the business of systems development and computerization. With support from the national Department of Health and Welfare, a Feasibility Study was conducted that year to establish information processing requirements for all programs and services delivered by the Department. This study also established long-range strategies for the direction of the

Department's Management Information System. The first growth phase, from 1976 to 1980, saw the implementation of the financial assistance programs such as Family Benefits, Municipal Social Assistance, Senior Social Assistance and Residential Facilities in a centralized, batch environment. The second phase, from 1981 to 1984, saw the conversion of the centralized batch client base to decentralized online Client Index through initiation of a province-wide communications network. This was consistent with the Department's move to decentralized decision-making of its centralized programs and services and to prepare for the automation of the Personal Social Service programs, already decentralized. In the 1984-85 fiscal year, the third developmental phase of the Management Information Systems began: the automation of the personal Social Services programs, with concentration on Family and Children's Services and the Family Court, along with the extension of the communication network. This phase is expected to span 1985 through 1990.

Long-Range Systems Planning

During 1984, the provincial Management Board asked each government department to prepare a long-range systems plan as input to the planning, funding approval and management processes for government-wide information systems. Accordingly, the Department prepared a long-range systems plan that addressed the information requirements of all programs, services and functional areas of the Department in terms of automated systems that would be in place within five years. The plan describes all automated systems currently in place, those under development, and those proposed for the future. This plan was approved by Management Board and is the tool Senior Management uses to set priorities and plan the future growth of its Management Information Systems. Each year it will be updated to reflect changes in technology, user needs and proposed information systems.

Communications Network and Decentralization

During 1983-84, the Department began to decentralize decision-making of its programs and services: it began this multi-year plan with the Family Benefits program at the Halifax Regional Office. Following the success of the Halifax Regional Office decentralization, the Family Benefits program at the Sydney Regional Office increased levels of service to clients by decreasing application turnaround time from as much as two months to as little as 10 days. With computer equipment installed at each local site, regional employees have online access to current information and facilities. Each site also has word processing services through a displaywriter connected to the communication network. Following the decentralization of over 50% of the Family Benefits program to the Halifax and Sydney regional offices, further decentralization and expansion of the communications network to both the New Glasgow Regional and Sackville District offices is scheduled for late 1985.

Client Index Enhancement Project Phase

The Client Index Enhancement Project encompasses four phases. Phase 1 was the installation of the online Client Index in October 1983. Phase 2, Family Benefits, was successfully implemented in June 1984. This phase provided an interface to the new Client Index, online enquiry into Family Benefits program information for workers at decentralized sites, local data entry of worker collected information and local printing of case and management reports. New forms and procedures have been developed to streamline the application, investigation and eligibility determination functions for the worker. Phase 3, Residential Facilities, was initiated in April 1984 and will be completed to the end of the design phase by April 1985. The existing Residential Facilities system maintains information relating to residents within the Homes for Special Care supported by the province. This phase of the Client Index Enchancement Project will be completed to the end of design in 1985. This phase provides an interface to the new Client Index, online maintenance functions for municipal cases and a new, more streamlined form for workers, that combines three existing forms into a turnaround document. All phases of the Client Index Enhancements project are scheduled to be completed in 1986.

Family and Children's Services

In 1983-84, a project was initiated to investigate and identify how the online Client Index could be used to store and track children in the care and custody program. During 1984-85, the scope of this project was expanded so that the prototype could include involvement in all other programs of Family and Children's Services. An application long-range systems plan was also developed for the Family and Children's Services Division, including the Family and Children's Services program, Services to Single Parents and Homemakers Services. This plan has established general information requirements for the division and proposes systems for client tracking, case management and statistical reporting.

The Family Court of Nova Scotia

During 1984-85, the Department completed a preliminary plan to address the information requirements of the Enforcement Section of the Family Court. This plan stated detail requirements, costs, benefits and system architecture of the proposed information system for the Family Court.

Special Protection Services and the Young Offenders Act

Special Protection Services is responsible for non-judicial aspects of the Family Court administrative functions, program delivery, and the operation of two training schools. During 1984-85, the Department initiated a study to address the information system requirements of this program. Since the proclamation of the Young Offenders Act, new record keeping and destruction procedures are being implemented nationally for Young Offender case administration. In a joint effort between the Department of Social Services and the Department of the Attorney General, a feasibility study was initiated in March 1984 to determine detail tracking and record maintenance requirements and to recommend a conceptual solution to support the provisions of the Act. The feasibility study is scheduled to be completed in October 1985 after which the analysis phase will begin.

Children's Aid Societies Accounting System

The Children's Aid Society in Sydney, Cape Breton, identified a requirement for an automated financial accounting system in late 1984. It is expected that by April 1, 1985 a micro-based system will be installed in Sydney, using packaged software on a personal computer. This will be supported by the departmental communications network.

Young Offenders Act Statistics and ADABAS

In 1980, a statistical reporting system was put in place for Special Protection Services. In 1984, with the proclamation of the Young Offenders Act, this system was revamped to match the new requirements of the Act. This system was developed using high productivity development tools known as Fourth Generation languages; for the first time, the Department developed the system using the data base management system, ADABAS. The project required heavy user involvement through prototyping and was successfully implemented. The Department has now initiated a study to determine the effort required to convert to a full ADABAS file environment. The Department intends to continue to use prototyping techniques and Fourth Generation languages in developing future information systems.

Indian Affairs

Allan Clark B.P.E., Co-ordinator

In Nova Scotia, there are three major Indian organizations: the Union of Nova Scotia Indians, representing approximately 6,300 status Indians; the Native Council of Nova Scotia, with a population base of approximately 4,000 non-status Indians of whom 800 are Metis; and the

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association with a membership of approximately 4,000 status and non-status Indians.

Highlights of activities this past year are as follows:

- on April 2 and 3, 1985, a delegation headed by Premier John Buchanan attended the 3rd Constitutional Conference on Aboriginal Constitutional Rights in Ottawa.
- Several federal/provincial/territorial meetings were held to review the various agenda items to make progress at the Constitutional talks; departmental staff were involved in these meetings.
- The Nova Scotia Government had ongoing meetings with the Native Council of Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Native Women's Association to discuss constitutional issues. Several issues have been discussed on a departmental basis with the Union of Nova Scotia Indians.
- A six-member Cabinet Committee on Aboriginal Affairs was established. It includes the Ministers of Education, Health, Labour and Manpower, Lands and Forests, the Attorney General and the Minister of Social Service as chairman. This committee will report to the Social Development Board of Cabinet. This new committee should provide an effective forum for dialogue on aboriginal matters.
- The Native Council of Nova Scotia and other non-status Indian organizations from Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick met with the Council of Maritime Premiers in February of 1985 and presented a paper to the three Premiers.
- A Canada-Nova Scotia-Indian Child Welfare Agreement Committee made up of federal officials, the Union of Nova Scotia Indians and provincial representatives, finalized this master agreement to establish a Micmac Family and Children's Service for the 13 Indian Bands in Nova Scotia. This service will give the Indian population more control over their own affairs in this area.

Mr. Berton MacKenzie, Acting Director General, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, Minister of Social Services the Honourable Edmund Morris, and Grand Chief, Donald Marshall at the signing of the Canada — Nova Scotia Indian Child Welfare Agreement.

Field Services and Personnel Division

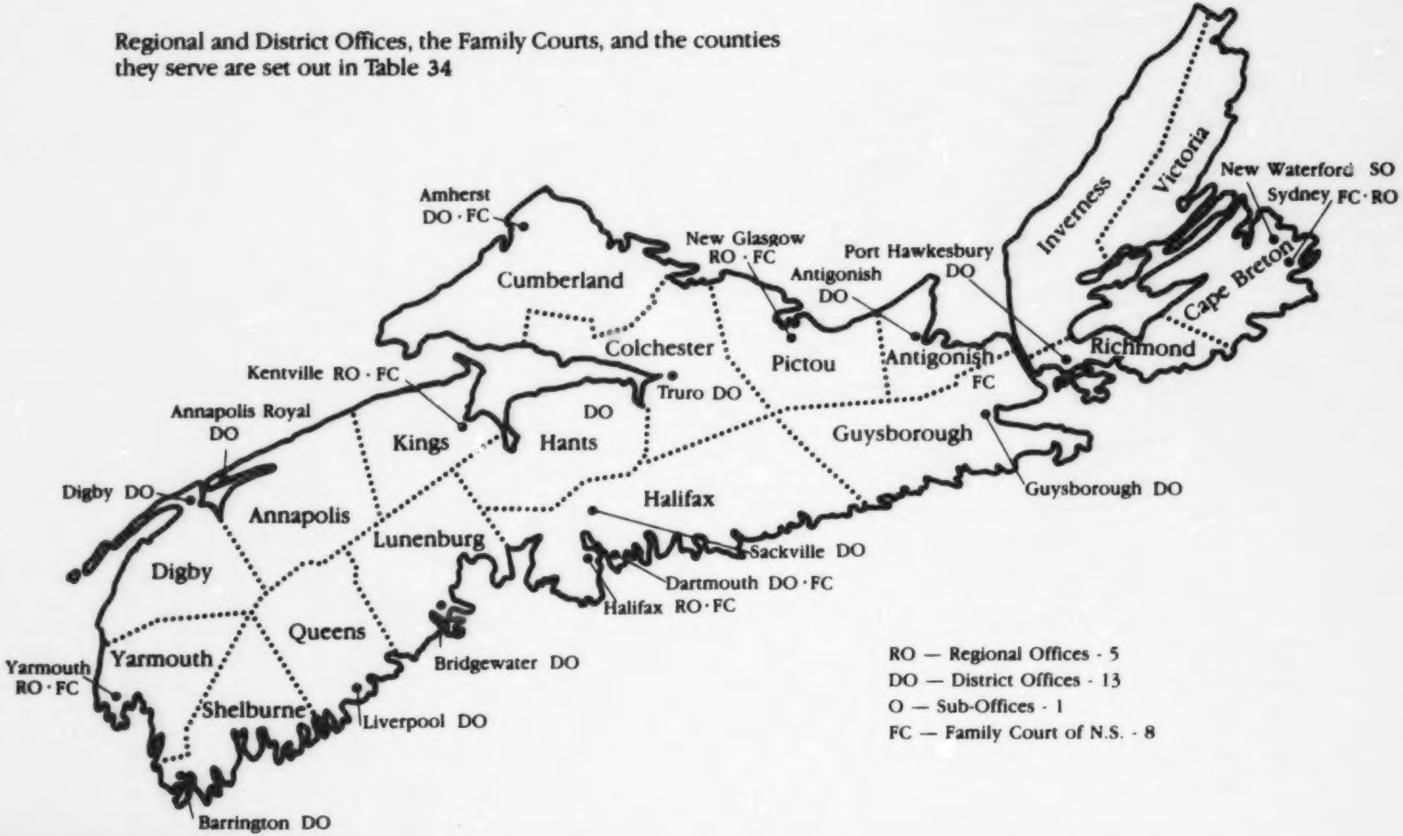
J.A. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Director

The Field Services and Personnel Division was established in 1978 and is responsible for the overall management of five regional offices, 13 district offices, 1 sub-office, Family Court Services throughout the Province. The division provides personnel services for the entire staff of the Department of Social Services and has a Staff Training and Development Section.

The following services are provided to clients of the Department, at the field office level:

- financial assistance—Family Benefits and Municipal Social Services in certain areas
- rehabilitation services
- family & children's services in certain areas
- special protection services for children
- adult services in the Family Court
- community service projects in certain areas.
- psychological services.

Regional and District Offices, the Family Courts, and the counties they serve are set out in Table 34



RO — Regional Offices - 5
DO — District Offices - 13
O — Sub-Offices - 1
FC — Family Court of N.S. - 8

Staff of Field Services and Personnel

Personnel Services Section

The Department of Social Services, as of March 31, 1985, has a total staff establishment of 856, including 297 members in field offices. (See Tables 34 & 35)

The Personnel Services Section has a staff complement of a Personnel Manager, Supervisor of Personnel Services, personnel clerk, and a secretary. This section, under the direction of the Director of Field Services and Personnel, is responsible for a comprehensive program of personnel services for the entire Department, which includes:

- recruitment, selection, and placement of all staff in the Department
- co-ordination of personnel services and procedures for the total staff of the Department, which includes a centralized personnel system providing salary administration, personnel record control, performance appraisal and related services
- consultation to the Minister, Deputy Minister, and Divisional Heads on all matters related to personnel

Much of our recruitment activity in the past year has been related to the filling of staff vacancies rather than the appointment of additional personnel. During the fiscal year, 95 appointments were recommended to the Civil Service Commission and 90 separations were processed by this section, demonstrating a high ongoing staff turnover.

The Department is actively involved in an Affirmative Action Program, which ensures that candidates are given an equal opportunity to compete for any position for which they are qualified. Successful Affirmative Action candidates hired over the past fiscal year total 21.

This section is responsible for the development and implementation of personnel policies and procedures, and for co-ordination between the Department and the Civil Service Commission, Management Board, and the Department of Finance in respect to all personnel transactions. Also, the section continues to be involved in consultation and co-ordination of labour/management relations in the Department, including problem analysis, interpretation of articles in the collective agreements. It also carries out a monitoring function for management and staff to ensure that personnel matters are dealt with in accordance with existing legislation, negotiating agreements, and the Civil Service Commission policies and procedures.

Psychological Services

Psychological Services provide both testing and counselling to clients serviced by the Department of Social Services and to various private agencies.

The assessment component of this service provides evaluation of both children and adult populations. Although the type of assessment may vary, depending upon the type of request, the most utilized assessments include evaluations of intelligence, social development, language skills, academic skills, vocational aptitude, perceptual skills and interest evaluations. All assessments are conducted by Psychological Technicians, under the supervision of the Co-ordinator of Psychological Services.

During the past year, there has been a significant increase in the number of referrals received. The most notable increase has been in terms of vocational evaluations for rehabilitation clients. These types of evaluations are used to assess a client's potential for training and to provide direction for potential employment goals, as indicated by aptitude, intelligence, academic and interests tests.

Services to children also continue to grow. In addition, to update evaluations on residents at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre and Children's Training Centres assessments are also conducted for admissions to these facilities and to the foster care program for the mentally handicapped. Children testing services also include evaluations directed by Family Court Judges, along with assessments at the Nova Scotia School for Boys and the Nova Scotia School for Girls. In terms of assessment services to regional/district offices and family and children services, evaluations are conducted to determine intellectual, social and academic development, for appropriate school, foster homes or adoption placements.

Cape Breton Regional Office—Sydney

Cyril Reddy, Regional Administrator

The Cape Breton Regional Office is located in the Provincial Building in the City of Sydney. The area serviced by the staff of the Cape Breton Regional Office, for the most part, encompasses the Counties of Cape Breton and Victoria with a combined population of 140,000. Sub-offices are maintained in Whitney Pier, New Waterford and Sydney Mines to provide for the effective delivery of the community service program.

The Rehabilitation Staff, Co-ordinator of Homes for Special Care, and Co-ordinator of Services to the Mentally Handicapped provide service in all four counties located on Cape Breton Island.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program was decentralized to the Cape Breton Regional Office on December 3, 1984. Effective January 6, 1985 all information relating to this particular program was communicated by computer to and from head office in Halifax.

This dramatic change has improved the delivery of the program to all recipients, making it more responsive to their particular needs. For the most part eligibility is determined at the regional level in a more efficient manner, and communication between applicants, recipients and the Department has improved substantially.

An additional four staff members under the direction of a supervisor are located in the Cape Breton Regional Office to determine eligibility and continuing eligibility since the recent decentralization of the program. Besides these four staff members, there are 13 field workers, three clerical staff and the Co-ordinator of Financial Program in the office.

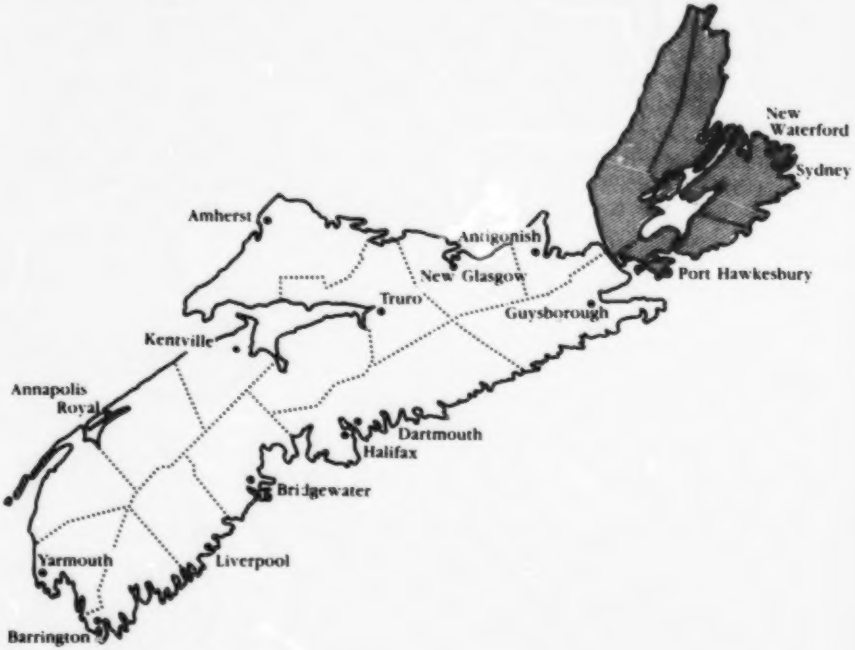
Municipal Social Service Program

The Municipal Social Service Program provides consultation to all Municipal Social Service Units on Cape Breton Island through the Co-ordinator of Financial Aid Programs. A regional policy approved by all municipal units on Cape Breton Island ensures the delivery of a quality municipal social service program.

Contractual agreements exist between the Department of Social Services and the Municipalities of North Sydney, Sydney Mines and the Town of Dominion to provide municipal social service programs in those areas. Staff are employees of the Department of Social Services; however, the responsibility for policy rests with the respective municipal units.

Regional Offices

Cape Breton Region



OFFICES

Cape Breton Regional — Sydney
Port Hawkesbury District Office — Port Hawkesbury
New Waterford Sub-Office — New Waterford
Family Court — Sydney

Rehabilitation Services

The Rehabilitation Services Section provides vocational counselling to mentally, physically and vocationally handicapped adults residing on Cape Breton Island.

The Single Parent Program has grown rapidly and as of March, 1984 the single parent worker was carrying a caseload of 173. This program helps single parents who are receiving Family Benefits to overcome the barriers preventing them from becoming employed.

Community Service Program

A casework supervisor along with two field workers and a secretary, working out of sub-offices in New Waterford, Sydney Mines and Whitney Pier, help individuals and groups to upgrade their housing standards through the Community Service Program. This program is also responsible for the effective delivery of the Day Care Program by determining eligibility for subsidized day care services in industrial Cape Breton. The field staff recommend the relicensing of all private day care centres. More than 300 children in the office's jurisdiction are receiving subsidized Day Care.

Homes for Special Care

The Regional Co-ordinator, Homes for Special Care, monitored the standard of care received by the 1,406 residents in the 34 Homes for Special Care on Cape Breton Island. This employee prepared all recommendations in relation to the licensing of these facilities and with the administrative staff of the Homes for Special Care, worked toward upgrading the level of resident care.

Services for the Mentally Handicapped

The Regional Co-ordinator, Services to the Mentally Handicapped, acts as liaison between agencies which provide services to the mentally handicapped such as departmental staff, CAMR(workshops), Resi-care(residential), and with individuals, groups and other community services.

Family Court, Cape Breton

Rita MacNeil, R.S.W., Supervisor of the Family Court
Stan Reppa, B.S.W., Senior Family Court Officer

The Family Court is located in the Provincial Building, Prince Street, Sydney and provides service to the geographical area of the Municipality of the County of Cape Breton, the Municipality of the County of Victoria, and part of the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

The Family Court combines two disciplines: judicial and social.

The judicial side of the Family Court operation concerns itself with the Family Maintenance Act, the Young Offenders Act, particular sections of the Divorce Act, and sections of the Criminal Code of Canada.

The social side of the Family Court involves marital counselling on a short-term basis, to reconcile and conciliate problems within the family structure.

The enforcement section is responsible for collecting maintenance payments determined by the Family Court Judge. Approximately $2,300,000 was processed through the Family Court of Cape Breton for the fiscal year, April 1, 1984-March 31, 1985.

Children's Aid Society, Cape Breton

Cyril Reddy, Executive Director
Hildegarde O'Neil, Casework Supervisor, Placement Division
Ian MacPherson, Casework Supervisor, Protection Division

The following programs are provided through the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton:

- Protection Services
- Ward Program
- Adoption
- Foster Home Finding and Training
- Single Parent Program
- Group Homes
- Residential Centre.

Protection Services

The agency's Child Protection Program has a complement of eight workers including a full-time intake worker. The field staff are assigned to specific geographic areas of Cape Breton and Victoria counties. In 1984-85 the Protection staff were involved in 545 referrals; the overall monthly caseload was 250, with an average of 50 new referrals a month. The team approach to Child Protection Services has been effective in identifying and preventing all phases of child abuse. In the past year, the agency has increased its emphasis on preventative services.

Ward Program

The Ward Program of the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton has 194 children under care and custody. Over 75% are in their teens and are experiencing an increasing number of emotional and placement problems associated with the teenage years. The five workers involved in this program work with these youngsters daily.

Adoption Program

Social workers hold group meetings with prospective couples covering such topics as procedure, policy, legalities, availability and nutrition. Couples also now complete their own histories and are seen in individual and joint interviews. The emphasis continues to be on placing older and difficult-to-place children. Twenty-six children were placed for adoption through the agency program in the past year.

Foster Home Finding and Training Program

Foster Home Finding and Training Program continued to receive approximately four to five inquiries a month from people interested in becoming foster parents. All applicants are seen on an individual and family basis prior to approval. This is supplemented by periodic training seminars dealing with such topics as maintenance, Children's Services Act, separation trauma, natural parents, adolescence and drug abuse. The agency maintains a close liaison with the Cape Breton Foster Parents Association which celebrated its tenth anniversary this year.

Single Parent Program

The Single Parent Program continued to expand in the past year. The public became more aware of this particular service through improved publicity and in-service programs. This program is expected to grow in direct relation to the increased number of single parents.

Residential Centre

The Boys Residential Centre, under the management of the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton, is located in the Town of New Waterford. The staff under the centre's director, provide a high quality of care and supervision for the boys who reside in this particular facility.

Group Homes

The society owns and operates two group homes in the City of Sydney which have a capacity of six and five. Group parents reside in the homes on a live-in basis and, with the support of social workers, provide an excellent home environment for children who are unable to function in their own homes or foster homes. The population of the co-ed home consisted of young teenagers attending Junior High School, while children in the other home were somewhat younger.

Port Hawkesbury District Office, Port Hawkesbury

Gordon MacMaster, District Supervisor

The Port Hawkesbury District Office is located in the Provincial Building on MacSween Street and has one part-time and 12 full-time employees. The office serves the needs of Inverness and Richmond counties which have a combined population of 36,000 and an area of 10 121 km^2.

Family Benefits Program

Two and one-half full-time Social Service workers maintain an average caseload of 1,000 for the Family Benefits program which provides assistance to disabled people, mothers with dependent children, foster parents, disabled fathers with dependent children, and diabetics. The staff also are involved with the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs; completing applications for two subsidized day care centres and referring many residents to the appropriate outside agencies that best suit their needs.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services program, through a contract between the Town of Port Hawkesbury and the Department of Social Services, employs a part-time worker who maintains a caseload of 75 to 95 per month. This worker is responsible for only the Town of Port Hawkesbury; municipal offices are also located in St. Peter's and Port Hood for Richmond and Inverness counties respectively.

The municipal program offers assistance in such areas of general assistance and Homes for Special Care. In the past fiscal year the program spent $247,000 for General Assistance and an extra $112,000 for 12 residents in Homes for Special Care.

Family Court

The family court employs one full-time employee whose duties include the taking of information and enforcement of court orders. This worker also provides services to youths charged under the Young Offenders Act for both Inverness and Richmond Counties.

In the past fiscal year there were 215 maintenance orders in effect, an increase of 23 cases. Collections for the end of the year were $364,700. The worker also dealt with 15 juveniles under the new Young Offenders Act, ranging from Community Service to commitment to a training facility.

Children's Aid Society, Inverness-Richmond

Gordon MacMaster, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond, which is responsible for adoptions and the provision of protection services and services to children in care and custody under the Children's Services Act, was officially incorporated on June 1, 1981. The society has a total of 8 employees. One student is currently doing her field placement from the Maritime School of Social Work in Halifax. The society maintains a network of foster homes that are used for the placement of children who have been taken into care. At the present time there are 23 such children. The society maintains a caseload of 90 to 100 protection families, and had 127 protection referrals in the past year. There were also numerous inquiries concerning adoptions. As a result, the agency was able to finalize a total of 15 adoptions: 9 private and 6 agency.

In the past year the workers presented numerous workshops in different schools and to the support groups in order to increase public awareness of child abuse. Protection Protocols were signed with the Richmond County and the Inverness District school boards and teachers' unions.

North Shore Regional Office, New Glasgow

R.C. Purdy, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The North Shore Region of the Department of Social Services is comprised of the counties of Cumberland, Colchester, Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough. The regional office is located on Campbell's Lane, New Glasgow. The Family Court for the County of Pictou is also located in the same office building. For the approximately 50,000 residents of Pictou County, provincial social services and family and children's services are provided under a joint service arrangement.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program involves three full-time workers with a total caseload of approximately 1,500 recipients. Payments are made to recipients of Family Benefits based on categorical need. As well, Family Benefits personnel are involved in processing applications for subsidy for one day care center in the county.

Municipal Social Service Program

The Municipal Social Service Program is administered by the Department of Social Services on a contractual arrangement with the towns of Stellarton, Trenton, Westville and Pictou. The staff are

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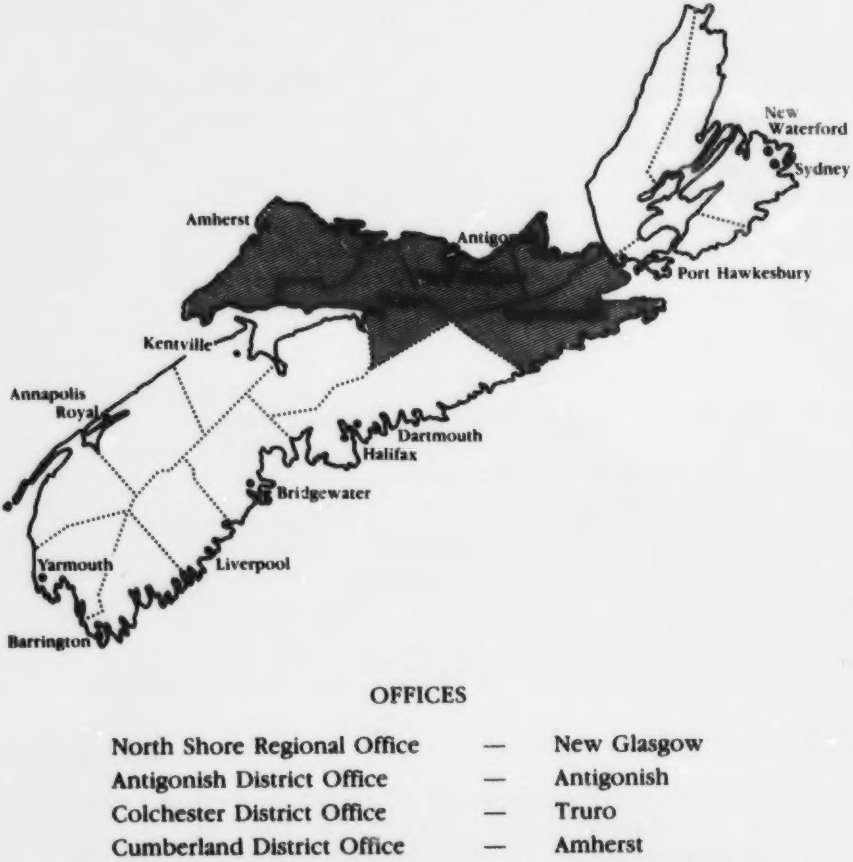

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employees of the Department of Social Services; however, the responsibility for policy rests with the individual municipal unit involved.

Rehabilitation Services Program

This program provides services to individuals who are over 16 years of age and who, due to physical, mental or social handicaps, require help to achieve skills or occupational training to enable them to enter the work force. This program provides assistance to single mothers to enable them to become self-sufficient through training, upgrading and provision of employment. Two workers in the North Shore Regional Office provide this service.

Services for the Mentally Handicapped

The Regional Co-ordinator, Services for the Mentally Handicapped, serves all five counties making up the region, and meets regularly with agencies and groups who provide services to both the mentally handicapped and the post-mentally ill to enhance present services as well as promote new services.

Family Court

The Family Court serving Pictou County hears all actions brought before it under the Family Maintenance Act, the Infants Custody Act, the Children's Services Act, as well as the Young Offenders Act. Most of the Court's time is spent enforcing family maintenance matters. During the year the number of active cases in Pictou County was about 850. Collection services in connection with family maintenance matters for the counties of Colchester, Antigonish, Guysborough and Pictou are provided in the office. The total collections during the past fiscal year amounted to about $1,650,000.

Children's Aid Society, Pictou County

R.C. Purdy, M.S.W., Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Pictou County, through its Board of Directors and with jurisdiction under the Children's Services Act, provides child care services as required for the protection and care of children throughout Pictou County. These services are:

- placement of children for adoption where this is found to be in the best interest of the child

- provision of substitute placement for children who are committed to the care and custody of the society or who are placed with the agency for voluntary care
- child protection services
- single parent services
- provision of teaching Homemakers Services on an individual and group basis.

Municipal Social Service

Municipal Social Services for the Town of New Glasgow are provided through a contractual agreement with the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County. Municipal Social Services for the Municipality of the County of Pictou are provided by two employees of the county. These workers share office facilities with the Department of Social Services and this has provided more co-ordination in terms of public assistance programs.

Congregate Care

Congregate care facilities in Pictou County are comprised of three Homes for the Aged: Glen Haven Manor, New Glasgow; Valley View Villa, Riverton; and Edward Mortimer Place, Pictou. Riverview Adult Residential Centre provides accommodations for handicapped adults. There are two Group Homes for young mentally handicapped adults operated by the Highland Community Residential Services Society.

Colchester District Office, Truro

Harvey J. MacArthur, M.S.W., District Supervisor

In keeping with the Department's goal of providing an efficient coordinated network of social service programs, the Colchester District Office is part of a joint service arrangement with the Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester county. The offices are located in the Colchester Social Service Centre, 58 Willow Street, Truro. The Colchester District Office is responsible for the delivery of the following programs: Family Benefits Program, Rehabilitation Services, Family Court, Community Support Services.

Family Benefits Program

Over 1,100 families and individuals in Colchester County received financial aid under this program during the fiscal year, 1984-85. This marked a 10% increase from the previous year.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services provides counselling and support to individuals who, because of either a mental, physical or social disability, require such help to make them self-sufficient. Close to 60 people in the county were helped during the year. Complementing this service, is the Vocational Rehabilitation Allowance Program available to single dependent mothers. During the past fiscal year, 40 single mothers were helped financially and received supportive counselling in their pursuit of training and educational programs.

Family Court

This court administers three Acts: the Children's Services Act, the Family Maintenance Act, and the Young Offenders Act. The Family Maintenance Act involves the greater portion of the court's time, both in terms of hearings and enforcement of the resultant court orders. There were 432 active orders as of March 31, 1985 under this Act involving the collection of $500,000 on behalf of wives and children in the county. The complex problem involving the protection and legal custody of children also requires considerable time and effort of the court and support staff. On average, one day per week is devoted to solving these problems. The introduction of the Young Offenders Act in April, 1984, which raised the age of young offenders to 12 years, has meant a revamping of rules and procedures for the court personnel and police agencies.

Community Support Services

The staff of the district office is involved in other social service endeavours in the community either through direct participation on boards or by acting as advisors to groups or institutions in the community. The Colchester Neighbourhood Work Activity Program is now in operation and staff members of the Colchester District Office serve on the Board of Directors and on the selection committee.

Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County

Harvey J. MacArthur, M.S.W., Executive Director

The society is the other partner in the major social service delivery system in Colchester County, and is the owner of the office complex located at 58 Willow Street in Truro. It is managed by a Board of Directors and is responsible to the Minister of Social Services for the administration of the Children's Services Act in Colchester County. This includes:

- protection services, counselling and support services to families in crisis
- supervision of children committed via the Family Court to care or voluntarily placed in care
- adoption services
- licensing and supervision of foster homes
- counselling and support to unwed parents
- custody studies and reports for children being admitted to the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre and Children's Training Centres

The number of children in legal care decreased by 20; as of March 31, 1985 there were 69 children in care. The Government of Nova Scotia began an intensive media campaign in the fall of 1984 advising the general public of their responsibility to report child abuse. As a result, there was a 100% increase in referrals over the same time period in the proceding year. This led to reallocation of staff to meet this serious demand; and the board is now carefully assessing their staff's ability to meet all services.

The society administers the Homemaker Services Program, financed by the Province and the three municipal governments in Colchester County. The Board of Directors has submitted a proposal to increase the staff through the Home Life Support Program that has been introduced by the Government of Nova Scotia.

The society also continues to administer, on behalf of the town of Truro and Stewiacke, the Municipal Social Assistance programs for their respective units. Both of these programs involved an expenditure of over $1.5 million during the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Cumberland District Office, Amherst

Don Russell, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Cumberland District Office provides service throughout all parts of Cumberland County. The district office is located at 24 Crescent Avenue, in Amherst, in the Family Service Centre Building. It is operated on a joint service basis with the Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County. There is a combined staff of 31 for all services. Services provided out of this centre are as follows.

Family Benefits Program

Under this program long-term assistance is provided to disabled individuals, mothers with dependent children, foster parents, and disabled fathers with dependent children. Assistance is also provided for applicants under the senior citizens financial aid programs.

Day Care Subsidization and Licensing

Family Benefits staff members process all applications for day care subsidization, licensing procedures for new day care centres, and yearly assessments of all existing day care centres.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation counselling and assessment services are provided to people over the age of 16 who, due to physical, psychological or social handicaps, need assistance to improve their occupational skill with the goal of eventual employment and self-sufficiency.

Community Services Program

Operated as a district sub-office, in the Municipal Provincial Building in the Town of Springhill, Community Services provides service to individuals throughout the county who have special housing needs.

Family Court

The Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia operates a Family Court for the County of Cumberland from the Family Service Centre, 24 Crescent Avenue, Amherst.

The Court has a staff of 4, in addition to the Judge, who hears cases on Tuesday and Wednesday of each week. The Court has jurisdiction in family matters including maintenance, child protection and custody. It also acts as a Young Court for children from age 12 to 15 years charged with offenses under the Young Offenders Act or Provincial Statutes.

Municipal Social Service Programs

Municipal Social Service Programs provide short-term financial assistance to people in need. As well, assistance is given to individuals requiring placement in a Home for Special Care — this includes nursing homes and homes for the disabled.

Municipal Social Service offices for the Town of Amherst, the County of Cumberland and the Town of Parrsboro are provided from the Family Service Centre. The towns of Springhill and Parrsboro provide this service from their respective town offices.

Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County

Don Russell, Executive Director

This agency provides child welfare services and services to families throughout Cumberland County as follows:

- child protection service
- service to single parents
- placement of children for adoption
- foster home care for children committed to the care of the agency and those admitted to care on a voluntary basis
- family counselling
- homemakers services to the aged, the disabled, single parents, and those who require teaching homemaker services
- group home — providing residential care for 6 teenage boys or girls.

Antigonish District Office, Antigonish

L.A. Mills, District Supervisor

The Antigonish Office of the Department of Social Services is located in the Provincial Building, James Street, Antigonish. The office provides departmental services to the County of Antigonish, the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's and Special Protection Services to the entire County of Guysborough.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program in the Antigonish Office provides services to Family Benefits recipients in the County of Antigonish and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. This service is available to disabled people, mothers with dependent children, foster parents and disabled fathers with dependent children.

Community Services Program

One Social Services worker devotes some time to the Community Services Program. The program involves housing and repair programs offered by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Nova Scotia Department of Housing. The worker gives area residents information and direction concerning home improvements and housing in general.

Municipal Social Service Program

The Municipal Social Service Program, under contractual arrangements, has two Social Services workers to administer the program for the Municipality of the County of Antigonish, the Town of Antigonish and the District of St. Mary's.

In-Home Support Program

Most senior citizens and disabled persons would rather remain in their own homes than a Home for Special Care. To help them do so, a program has been developed to provide financial assistance for those in need. Assistance is granted where it can be demonstrated that the assistance is necessary to enable the recipient to remain in his/her own home and enhance, to some measure, his/her lifestyle.

Family and Children's Services

Two Social Service workers provide services to children, including:

- services to children who require a substitute family placement
- services to unmarried parents
- adoption services
- child protection and family care services, including individual and family counselling
- voluntary care for children.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided to residents of the County of Antigonish. As well, Homemakers Services are available to residents of the three municipal units within this office's jurisdiction by two private agencies. Financial assistance is available to clients of the Homemakers Services through the Department's Municipal Social Services Program.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to residents of the Antigonish District Office area through the North Shore Regional Office, New Glasgow.

Day Care

A day care service is available to preschool children in a facility centrally located in the Town of Antigonish. This service is subsidized by the Department of Social Services.

Homes for Special Care

Two Homes for Special Care are located in the Town of Antigonish and one is located in the Village of Sherbrooke in the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. The total capacity of these three homes is 185 guests. Many of these guests are supported financially through the Municipal Social Services Program.

Family Court

The Family Court serving Antigonish County and the District of St. Mary's hears all actions brought under various statutes dealing with Family matters and matters relating to children including the Family Maintenance Act, Infants Custody Act, Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act and certain sections of other Acts including the Criminal Code of Canada.

Special Protection Services are provided by one Social Service worker who serves both Antigonish and Guysborough counties. Service is provided to children under 16, who have been charged and found guilty of an offence; this includes probation and after-care services.

Guysborough District Office, Guysborough

G. Greg Wiseman, District Supervisor

The Guysborough Office of the Department of Social Services was established in the fall of 1977. It is located in the Chedabucto Centre, just outside Guysborough Village.

The office provides services to the Town of Canso, the Town of Mulgrave and the Municipality of the District of Guysborough. Services provided are as follows.

Family Benefits Program

Family Benefits provides financial assistance to disabled people, mothers with dependent children, aged people and unemployable women. The Social Service worker in this program also investigates and processes all home improvement loan requests from the program's recipients.

Municipal Social Service Program

Municipal Social Services are provided on a contractual basis with the three municipal units in the area. The Municipal Social Services Program provides financial assistance to people in need and places people in Homes for Special Care. The Municipality of Guysborough has its own Home for the Aged at Hazel Hill, Guysborough County. During the past year one of the three units the program serves (the District of Guysborough) applied for and received approval to operate an In-Home Supports Program. Under this program, elderly or disabled individuals who normally would require placement in a Home for Special Care, receive financial aid so that relatives can care for them at home. The Social Service worker in this program also completes subsidy applications from parents who place their children in the Canso and Area Day Care Centre.

Family and Children's Services

Family and Children's Services is responsible for the supervision of children in care and custody, overall foster home finding, training and care, child protection and family support services. The program also provides services to children requiring a substitute family placement, as well as family counselling, adoptions and counselling services to single parents and unmarried mothers. This program oversees the organization and dispersion of the Christmas Daddies Fund to needy families in the area, and during the summer months arranges for children of the area to attend summer camping programs at Camp Canso, Glasgow Head, Guysborough County.

Homemakers Services

Workers give support and help to elderly or disabled citizens in the area and teach and practice homemaking skills with multi-problem families. As a result of the Department's Expanded Homemakers Program, the Guysborough Homemakers Program was able to add three additional homemakers, bringing the staff complement to seven. A working Supervisor and six homemakers operate out of the Guysborough Office, providing the service within the District of Guysborough.

Through the same program, the Town of Mulgrave hired an additional homemaker; two homemakers now are situated in and provide services within the town.

Family Court

Family Court Services include intake, taking applications and complaints, and summoning and enforcing Family Court Orders made pursuant to the Family Maintenance Act, Infants Custody Act and Children's Services Act, for residents of the area. These services have been provided by the office since November 1982.

Halifax Regional Office, Halifax

Joan M. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Halifax Regional Office is located at the Metro One Building, 6061 Young Street, Halifax. Although the main responsibility of this office is administering the Family Benefits Program, Day Care Services was added in 1984. Three staff offer Rehabilitation Services to single parents, and a psychological technician and Social worker who administers the Special Foster Home Program for mentally handicapped children, also work out of the office.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program is offered to the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth, and the Municipality of the County of Halifax. Social Service workers process new applications and determine ongoing eligibility yearly for the 5,500 individuals and families who receive Family Benefits.

The Regional Field Supervisor of Family Benefits reorganized the caseloads in the entire region during 1984-85; some staff now process all new applications and reapplications for Family Benefits, and the remainder manage in pay caseloads. This division of workload has proven to be efficient.

The decentralization of the Family Benefits Program which began in 1983-84, was completed in 1984-85. Decentralization involved installation of computers and transfer of decision-making regarding eligibility for benefits from head office to the field office. Data entry and the initial eligibility process (i.e., new applications) were the last components of the decentralization program to be put in place.

Day Care Services

Two staff members assess parent financial eligibility for subsidized day care. The staff caseloads and number of centres visited by each were re-organized in 1984-85 for more effective utilization of time.

Rehabilitation Services

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents was expanded by two staff in 1984-85. They concentrate on locating training opportunities for single parents, interviewing clients concerning their options, and suitability of training, and set in place the necessary financial supports for clients who are ready to participate in training. A third worker helps trained single parents secure employment. Two "Job Search Clubs" have been held involving 14 women; to date, 10 have found employment. The "Job Search Club" is an effective technique that will be utilized more fully in the future.

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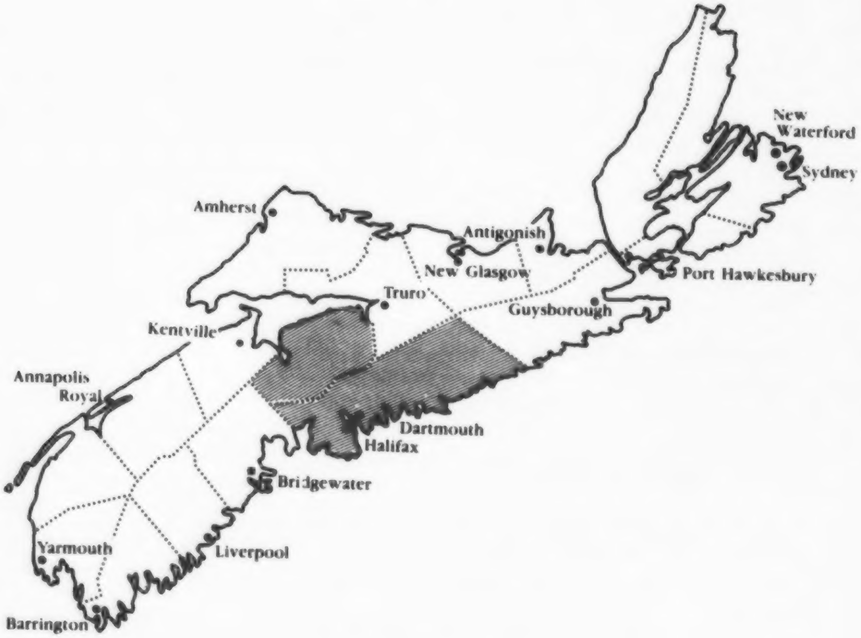

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Dartmouth District Office, Dartmouth

Duncan K. Rosnok, District Supervisor

The Dartmouth District Office is located in the Professional Centre at 277 Pleasant Street, Suite 205, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, B2Y 4B7

Rehabilitation Services

The Rehabilitation Services Program provides service to clients in the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, and the County of Halifax, with the exception of the Bedford-Sackville area which is covered by a Social Service worker (Rehabilitation Counsellor) in the Sackville District Office.

Three Social Service workers (Rehabilitation Counsellors) provide vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with physical, mental, or emotional disabilities who are at least 16 years of age or older. These services include medical, social and vocational assessments; vocational counselling; services relating to physical restoration and vocational training. The overall objective is to help the disabled individual to obtain employment. From April 1, 1984, to March 31, 1985, some 236 referrals were received; 169 new cases were opened; 109 clients entered training; 40 clients completed training; and 103 people found jobs.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program serves the City of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax, with the exception of the area serviced by the Sackville District Office (specifically, Bedford-Sackville and Halifax County West).

The Single Parent Program is run by two workers. They are responsible for providing counselling and supportive services to single parents to help them plan for their children and themselves, before or after the birth; and to help them follow through with their plans. The workers arrange accommodations, financial support, and medical care; provide information about legal rights and child birth and alternatives open to the mother concerning her child's future; provide temporary care for a child awaiting adoption placement or to give the mother time to make suitable plans to keep her child. During the fiscal year 1984-85 service was provided to 144 single parents, with an increase of referrals over the previous year of 31.7%.

Two social workers, acting as foster home finders, are responsible for recruiting foster homes; orienting and training foster parent applicants and new foster parents through group meetings over a four-to-six-week period; completing foster home studies on prospective foster parents; coordinating foster home placements and assisting in weekly permanency planning meetings for children in care; providing overall supervision to foster parents; and attending foster parent association meetings; giving of their expertise and experience to foster parents.

Two Social Service workers work with the Agency Adoption Program and one deals solely with the Private Adoption Program in Metro and Halifax County. During this past fiscal year, the private adoption worker also helped complete social histories for the applications received for the Retarded Children's Program.

Four workers, (one social worker and three Social Service workers) involved with the Ward Program, are responsible for all the children in the care and custody of the Minister of Social Services. The total number of wards for the Dartmouth District Office is 141.

The ward worker's main responsibility is to locate, secure and maintain a good home for the children, either a foster or an adoption home. The worker's primary focus is to look after the best interests of the children in their care.

The Protection Program is organized to receive reports of child abuse and neglect from the community it services. It is organized into three separate, functional units: Intake, Family Services, and Child Care.

The Intake Unit consists of two social workers who receive reports of child abuse and neglect from the community. They are also responsible for investigating these reports and helping families explore and obtain services that can begin the process of resolving their problem. During 1984-85, caseloads increased in this unit, particularly with respect to reports of physical and sexual abuse. From April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985, a total of 732 intakes were received in the Intake Unit: of this figure, 172 intakes concerned physical and sexual abuse. During this past fiscal year, a casual worker has helped with the increased workload. If the social worker (intake) has reason to believe that a family needs long-term follow-up, the family is transferred to the Family Services Unit.

The Family Services Unit consists of five social workers and is designed to work with families over a longer period of time, ranging from a few months to a few years. These are usually families who have multiple problems and require supervision, support, and constant motivation to accept and use community rehabilitation services. During 1984-85, caseloads in the Family Service Unit increased significantly because of the increased number of referrals to the Protection Program.

The Child Care Unit is comprised of one social worker and is designed to receive all children who are placed in foster care by the social worker doing either Intake or Family Service Work. A large percentage of the children are admitted to care by voluntary care. During this past fiscal year, 188 children were admitted to foster care; of this figure, 33 children were apprehended.

A Case Aide is responsible for transporting the children in care to and from appointments, visits, foster home placements, shopping, etc., and for completing social histories for the applicants for admission to the mentally handicapped children's program. The Case Aide is also responsible for carrying out certain administrative tasks as assigned by the District Supervisor or the Casework Supervisor.

During 1984-85, the Dartmouth District Office provided field placements for five students from the Maritime School of Social Work, one student in the Rehabilitation Program, and four in the Protection Program.

Sackville District Office, Lower Sackville

Graeme M. Fraser, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Sackville District Office is located at the Cobequid Multi-Service Centre, 70 Memory Lane, Lower Sackville, Halifax County, Nova Scotia.

The office is privileged to be an active participant in a rapidly developing health and social services centre that services Bedford-Sackville and surrounding area. During this past year the centre has received approval for a major expansion which will include emergency health services, physiotherapy, speech therapy, as well as additional space for existing agencies including the Department office. The work of the office is enhanced by the coordination and cooperation made possible through the centre.

The Sackville Office offers three major programs: Family and Children's Services, Family Benefits Program, and Rehabilitation Services.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program includes the supervision of children in care and the Protection Program. In the past year, there has been a dramatic increase in referrals of abuse and neglect of children, particularly in the area of sexual abuse (with a 125% increase). Although the actual numbers are relatively small, it is significant that there was a 400% increase in the number of names registered on the Child Abuse Register through this office.

The number of children in care and custody steadily decreased (this year by 11%); however, the number of children in Voluntary Care grew by 142% during the past year, giving an overall increase in children in care of 26%.

Consequently, workers coped with ever-increasing caseloads significantly above the norm — a 60% increase in caseload over the past year. Efforts currently are underway to increase the staff to more adequately deal with the increased demands for service.

Family Benefits Program

Two Social Service workers in the office were responsible for approximately 820 Family Benefits recipients at any given time, a slight increase over the previous year. During the coming year, a computer terminal will be installed in the Sackville Office initially for the purpose of Family Benefits enquiry.

Rehabilitation Services

A Social Services worker (Rehabilitation) provides rehabilitation services to clients in the Bedford-Sackville area on a part-time basis. The number of clients increased significantly during the past year; the caseload now ranges between 40-55.

Family Court, Halifax-Dartmouth

Jack Jackson, Supervisor of the Family Courts

The Family Court in Halifax and Dartmouth is structured in the same way. There are three separate components that function together as one unit.

Judiciary Section

Six Judges deal with adult and youth cases at the Halifax and Dartmouth Family Court locations.

Counselling Section

The Social Service workers, acting as probation and after-care officers, provide supervision and counselling services to children who come into conflict with the law. The introduction of the Young Offenders Act has meant that a variety of new service proposals are now underway. Assistance is also rendered to families of the children, when appropriate. One Social Service worker provides intake assessment and referral services to all clients who come to the Court.

Enforcement Section

This is an integral part of the Family Court operation. A Social Service worker (enforcement) ensures that monies are paid according to the Court orders. The Social Service workers help the Senior Court Officer in the daily overall functioning of the Court pertaining to adult matters. This unit is responsible for all payments made into the Court with respect to Court orders and fines, forwards payments to the recipient and maintains the overall accounting system.

Halifax and Dartmouth Police have special officers attached full-time to the Courts. This allows for a close liaison between the Courts and the Police and for good working relationships.

Hants District Office, Windsor

Barry Costello, R.S.W., District Supervisor

Hants District Office staff occupies a building in Curry's Corner which is part of the Town of Windsor. The building is shared with the staff of Family and Children's Services of Hants County in a Joint Services Agreement. The population of Hants County is approximately 33,000 people.

The following services are provided by Hants District Office.

Family Benefits Program

On average, approximately 800 Family Benefits recipients are served by two Family Benefits workers in this office. Assistance is given to disabled people, single mothers with dependent children, disabled fathers with dependent children and foster parents. These workers also help process applications for senior citizens financial aid programs.

Municipal Social Service Program

Municipal Social Services have two main components: General Assistance, which is normally short-term assistance, and assistance for residents in Homes for Special Care.

Three Municipal Social Service workers are employed at this office, providing services to five municipal units — East Hants, West Hants, Windsor, Hantsport and Wolfville. Total general assistance caseload averages 265 people. Total Homes for Special Care caseload averages 200.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided by a worker from this office to approximately 40 people in Hants County, due to a variety of social, physical and psychological handicaps. The thrust of this program is to assist people in need develop occupational skills that will help them to take their place in society.

Family Court

Two Family Court Judges sit in Hants County: one in Windsor and one in Shubenacadie. The majority of cases coming before the court will be under the following Acts—Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act, Family Maintenance Act, and Infants Custody Act. Associated with the Court are court reporter services provided to the Family Court in Windsor by the Hants District Office. Court reporter services in Shubenacadie and enforcement and special protection services for both courts are delivered from outside Hants County.

Homemaker Services

Homemaker Services are provided to approximately 100 recipients in Hants County. This program is administered by the four municipal units in Hants County and supervised by the Hants District Supervisor. It is geared primarily to meeting the needs of seniors and the disabled.

Family & Children's Services of Hants County

Barry Costello, R.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Hants County is a private child protection agency with a Board of Directors drawn from throughout the county, which has operated for approximately 72 years. As with the Hants District Office, it serves a population of approximately 33,000 people.

Services provided to the residents of Hants County include:

- child protection and family care services
- foster care services
- adoption services
- services to unmarried mothers
- operation of a Group Home for adolescent boys.

Central Regional Office, Kentville

Douglas Penney, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Central Regional Office of the Department of Social Services encompasses the areas of Lunenburg, Queens and Kings counties. The regional office is located at 374 Main Street, Kentville, and district offices are in Bridgewater and Liverpool.

The regional office at Kentville provides the following services to approximately 56,000 residents of Kings county (which includes the towns of Kentville, Wolfville and Berwick):

- financial assistance (Family Benefits program)
- rehabilitation services to the disabled
- rehabilitation services to single parents
- day care services
- Family Court services.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance to 1,266 recipients in various categories: unmarried mothers, deserted mothers, widows with dependent children and disabled fathers with dependent children.

Assistance is also available for single disabled people who qualify according to the Family Benefits Act and Regulations.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to disabled individuals over 16 years who, due to social, physical or psychological handicaps, require monetary assistance or counselling to help them become self-sufficient. The Rehabilitation Counsellor located in the Kings Regional Office serves the residents of Kings County as well as Annapolis.

A single parent worker, working out of the district office in Bridgewater, provides services to single parents.

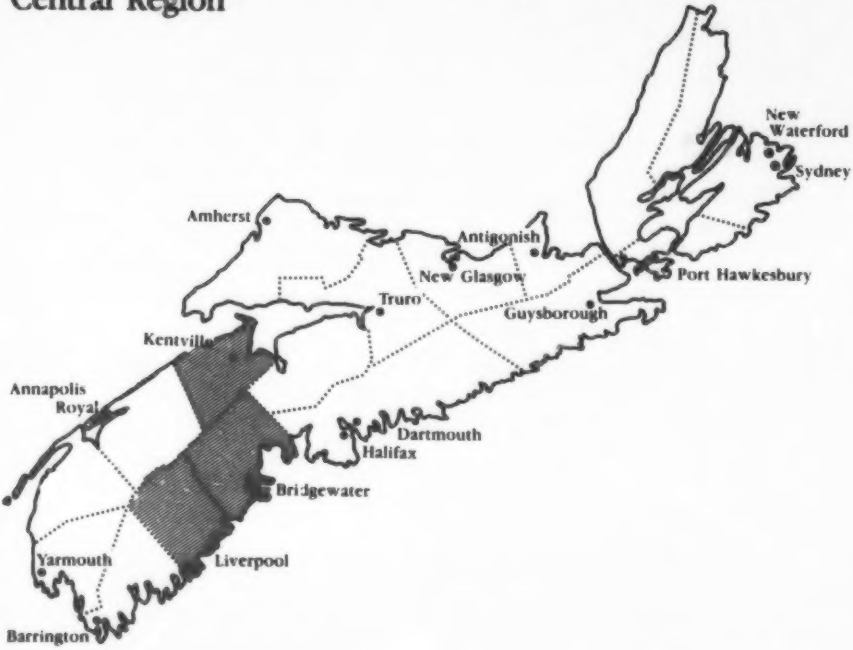
Single parents receive counselling and help in finding employment and upgrading skills. The caseload handled by this single parent worker is 149.

Day Care Services

Day Care Services is available to pre-school children in two facilities—one located in the Town of Kentville and one in the Town of Wolfville. These two registered day care centres have subsidized spaces available to families who qualify for assistance.

Regional Offices

Central Region



OFFICES

Central Regional Office — Kentville
Lunenburg District Office — Bridgewater
Queens District Office — Liverpool
Family Court — Kentville

Family Court

The Family Court and staff of the Central Regional Office are located in the Provincial Building at 120 Exhibition Street, Kentville. This court is a circuit court for Kings and Annapolis counties.

The Family Court provides services under the:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Childrens Services Act
- Infants Custody Act
- Young Offenders Act

Under the Family Maintenance Act the caseload continues to increase. As of March 31, 1985, the total number of cases in Kings, Annapolis and Lunenburg counties was 1,175 and the amount collected was $1,369,941.67

This year Judge W. Marshall Black was appointed Chief Judge of the Family Court system for the Province of Nova Scotia.

The circuit court in the Central Region is handled by two Judges who deal with adults under the Family Maintenance Act, and youths under the Young Offenders Act, the Education Act and Summary Proceedings Act against Young Persons.

Family & Children's Services of Kings County

Douglas Penney, M.S.W., Executive Director

Family Care Services provides legislated protective services for children of Kings County whose well-being may be at risk due to abuse or neglect. Through counselling and the use of community resources, staff helps parents provide a safe and caring environment for their children. Social workers in the protection program work with about 300 families per month, some requiring intensive, long-term help; a number requiring alternative care arrangements for children; and some requiring short-term assessment, counselling and/or referal to a more appropriate service.

This year was particularly challenging; referrals increased 63.3% over 1983-84 and there were no additional resources to meet this increased demand (see Table 36). The seriousness of referrals to the agency also intensified. Some 76 referrals for physical or sexual abuse were investigated by the agency. Serious neglect and child care referrals totalled 258. Lack of adequate housing and employment opportunities, and financial needs continue to be contributing factors to child neglect and abuse.

Child Care Services provided for the care of 177 children during the year. Of these, 91 were in the permanent care and custody of the agency and were unable to return (by a Court decision) to the care of their parents. The majority of these children live in foster homes. A long-term commitment is sought between foster parents and children and youth unable to return home or who are being placed for adoption. The agency has endorsed only four planned life placements to ensure permanency and security for foster children. Expansion of this planned permanency is at risk, however, due to the lack of support and assistance that can be given to foster parents and because the Permanency Planning Program of the agency cannot receive the priority necessary due to the volume of new referrals and crisis work.

Sixty-eight of the children in permanent care are now over 10 years of age, many need help to develop independent living skills as well as constant support and direction from staff and foster parents. Attention to this important aspect of the agency's work also suffers because of the demands of the protection program.

Single Parent Services provided counselling to 40 single pregnant women, and follow-up supportive services after the birth of their children. Most single women choose to raise their own child and often require supplementary support and resources to do so. In 1984-85, eight of the 40 single parents counselled, relinquished their children for adoption. Many single parents require follow-up help because of their isolation, lack of family support, inadequate income, poor housing and lack of child rearing skills. Referrals of single parents increased; in the first two months of 1985 there was an increase of 26% over the same period last year.

Staff — Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

Twenty-three children were placed for adoption: of these, 14 were infants and 9 older children. Adoption Services is focusing more than ever on recruiting and assessing adoption homes for older children and siblings. Educational meetings with prospective adopting applicants continue to focus on the needs of an adopted child, adopting and birth parents, as well as the paramount need for homes for hard-to-place children. As well as agency adoption placements, 26 private adoptions were processed. The agency views adoption as the alternative of choice if children cannot remain with their own families.

Foster Services includes 68 foster families who ensure care to children who must temporarily, and sometimes permanently, live apart from their birth parents. Thirty-three new foster homes were opened this year, largely as a result of an intensive recruitment campaign. Foster families must have special qualities to help children feel secure and accepted during an often traumatic and frightening time in their lives. Fostering includes working with and preparing children to return to their own families; preparation of children for adoption placement; and sometimes offering permanent care to children. The need for foster homes for older children continues to be of concern. Specialized foster families are being sought more often for children with special and demanding needs.

Teaching Homemaker Services began in 1979. Staff experienced in homemaking teach parenting skills, budgeting, nutritional needs and household management to families who need assistance with the quality of care their children are receiving. This supportive program often prevents children having to come into the care of the agency. Forty-seven families were serviced this year. Due to lack of supplementary funding, program staff was reduced from two to one in December, 1984. The Department of Social Services finances 75% of the cost of this program; the remainder comes from agency fund-raising efforts.

Volunteer services were offered by the agency for the sixth consecutive year. These community volunteers help with direct service to clients and assist with transportation and other specific tasks. Their services are greatly appreciated by social work staff and by clients who receive their assistance.

Lunenburg District Office, Bridgewater

Malcolm R. Burrill, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Lunenburg District Office serves the towns of Bridgewater, Lunenburg, Mahone Bay, and the municipalities of the districts of Lunenburg and Chester. The office also provides Special Protection, Rehabilitation, and Single Parents services to the County of Queens. Kings County is also served by the Single Parents Program. The office, located in the Provincial Building on High Street, in Bridgewater, administers the following programs.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program involves two full-time field workers with an ongoing caseload of more than 1,000. On March 31, 1985 there were 1,073 cases in pay, reflecting an increase of 3% over the previous year.

Municipal Social Service Program

The Municipal Social Service Program operates on a contractual basis for the five municipal units of Lunenburg County. A Joint Social Service Committee, having representation from the five municipal councils, provides harmony in policy making. Three Social Service workers provide assistance to eligible applicants seeking financial aid or to those seeking placement in Homes for Special Care.

In 1984, the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg took part in the Home Life Supports Program, whereby family members are assisted in looking after senior citizens or disabled persons in their own homes. During the 1984-85 fiscal year 21 families were helped in this manner.

The total amount of general assistance paid for 1984-85 in Lunenburg County was $962,937. The accompanying figure for Homes for Special Care was $3,180,793.

Rehabilitation Services

The overall objective of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program is to provide services to enable the disabled individual to obtain employment in a substantially gainful occupation. One Social Service worker serves the counties of Lunenburg and Queens. There were 78 cases active at the close of the fiscal year.

In addition, the Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents helps single parents to develop the necessary skills for gainful employment, and to enhance their family management and parenting skills. Under this program, one Social Service worker is responsible for Lunenburg County, as well as for Kings and Queens counties. Throughout Lunenburg County, a fiscal year total of 29 clients entered training programs and 19 were placed in employment situations. As of March 31, 1985, there were 58 active cases for Lunenburg County.

Family Court

Both the Youth Court, which deals with the Young Offenders Act, and the Family Court are held in the Town of Lunenburg. One Social Service worker (Probation Officer), who serves both Lunenburg and Queens counties, attended 80 hearings during the year. The number of youth in Lunenburg and Queens counties on probation as of March 31, 1985 was 20.

Staff Lunenburg District Office

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

Malcolm R. Burrill, M.S.W., Executive Director

The Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County, under a joint service agreement, shares office space and administration with the Department of Social Services. The agency, currently in its 54th year of operation, is responsible for the following programs.

Adoption Program

Five children were placed with adoptive parents in the 1984-85 fiscal year. In the same year, seven couples were deemed as suitable to adopt, bringing the total number of approved families waiting for children up to 18. In addition, 18 private adoptions were processed.

Services to Unmarried Mothers

Eleven unmarried mothers were counselled during the fiscal year. Under Section 10 of the Children's Services Act, two of these women gave their children up for adoption. A third child was commited to care and custody and later placed for adoption.

Children in Care and Custody

As of March 31, 1985, 68 children were in care and custody. Ninety-four percent of these children were 10 years of age or older.

Foster Home Program

The Foster Home Program continues to have difficulty in obtaining foster homes for the older child. A Special Foster Home (agency-owned dwelling and salaried foster parents) has been open since August 1979. This home continues to be used for hard-to-place teenagers and has helped to alleviate the stress that would otherwise occur due to the regular foster home shortage. The Home is approved for five children and was totally filled in 1984-85.

Child Protection Program

The Child Protection Program has a complement of five caseworkers who are also responsible for the children in care and custody. They receive backup support from the agency's family counsellor for cases that are best served by joint counselling. During the fiscal year 180 referrals were processed; of these, 22 were alleged child abuse.

Homemaker Services Program

The Visiting Homemaker Program is an hourly service meeting specific needs by providing minimal personal care, meal preparation and general light cleaning. Over 16,000 hours of service were provided to 199 clients during the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Queens District Office, Liverpool

The District Office is located at 43 Carten Street, Liverpool, and is involved with the following programs.

Family Benefits Program

This is a long-term, categorical type of assistance. Application may be made by writing the Department of Social Services, P.O. Box 1360, Liverpool, or by telephoning 354-3422 and requesting an interview. An applicant's initial interview may be at his/her own home or in the office.

Municipal Social Assistance

The Department of Social Services is under contract to the Town of Liverpool and the Municipality of Queens to deliver municipal social assistance. This includes general assistance (short-term money payments based upon financial need under the budget deficit system); placement and sponsorship for those in need in Homes for Special Care; and assisting the elderly and disabled to remain in their own homes under the In Home Support Program. Besides providing assistance to those in need, the Social Service worker maintains a liaison with employers throughout the town and county with a view to referring people for employment.

Rehabilitation Services

This program, including the Single Parent Program, is delivered to Queens County from the Lunenburg District Office.

Special Protection

This program, including enforcement, is delivered to Queens County from the Lunenburg District Office.

Family Court

This court is held by a circuit Judge from Yarmouth, and sits in Liverpool every Thursday.

Family and Children's Services of Queens County

Donald A. Burns, Executive Director

This is the component of the office that is responsible for children's services matters, and has jurisdiction within the Town of Liverpool and County of Queens. Besides regular mandated, or traditional services, the Board of the Agency attempts to analyze the needs of the community on a continuous basis, and where possible, keeps the resources and facilities current.

The agency is governed by a Board of Directors who formulate personnel policy. Board members are elected from the local population and are people with the best interests of their community at heart.

Programs and projects of the Agency are the following.

Protection Services

This is a mandated service under the Children's Services Act, and covers child abuse, child sexual assault or molestation, and general neglect. Field workers use a variety of resources to cope with these problems.

Foster Child Supervision

This service involves supervising children who have been committed to care and custody. The children are placed mainly in foster homes. The child , the foster parents, and the workers work together to develop a satisfactory family experience for the child.

Voluntary Care Agreements

Provision is made in the Children's Services Act for children to be received into care voluntarily from their parents. This is usually short-term, and for a specific purpose. For example, the parents may be anticipating a very trying one-or-two month period, and feel unable to adequately care for their children during that time. The agency will enter into a voluntary care agreement with the parents for a specific period of time, which may be renewable, if necessary.

Adoptions

This service is offered by the agency. There are now a number of homes approved and awaiting children.

Homemakers Services

These services are offered within Queens County, together with the services of Home Handymen. Both services have proven to be instrumental in helping the elderly and the handicapped to remain in their own homes for longer periods of time.

Foster Parent Week and Recruitment

The agency participates in Provincial Foster Parent Week, and arranges a banquet for foster parents during that week. The need for new foster parents is brought before the public at frequent intervals.

Custody and Other Reports

The agency's staff prepare custody reports for the courts when requested to do so. In addition, staff prepares sundry reports, including home studies, for agencies other than the Family Court. An example would be family background information concerning a child at the I.W.K. Hospital for Children.

Western Regional Office, Yarmouth

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Western Region of the Department of Social Services encompasses Shelburne, Yarmouth, Digby and Annapolis counties. The regional office is located in Yarmouth, with district offices in Barrington, Digby and Annapolis Royal. The Regional Administrator is responsible for program development, co-ordination and supervision, as well as the operation of both the regional and district offices. Four persons were employed through the Provincial Employment Program at the Western Regional Office during the 12-month period ending March 31, 1984. One individual served as Case Aide for the provincial Family Benefits Program and the Municipal Social Services Program; three provided clerical services to these programs.

The Western Regional Office is accountable for program delivery to a population of approximately 24,000 within the County of Yarmouth.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program has two Social Service workers who help individuals apply for financial assistance. Personal and financial data are validated and reported in writing to the Family Benefits Division in Halifax, enabling the Director of Family Benefits to determine eligibility. Annual reviews and changes in financial status of clients are carried out by Social Service workers who have a combined caseload of about 985 clients.

Rehabilitation Services

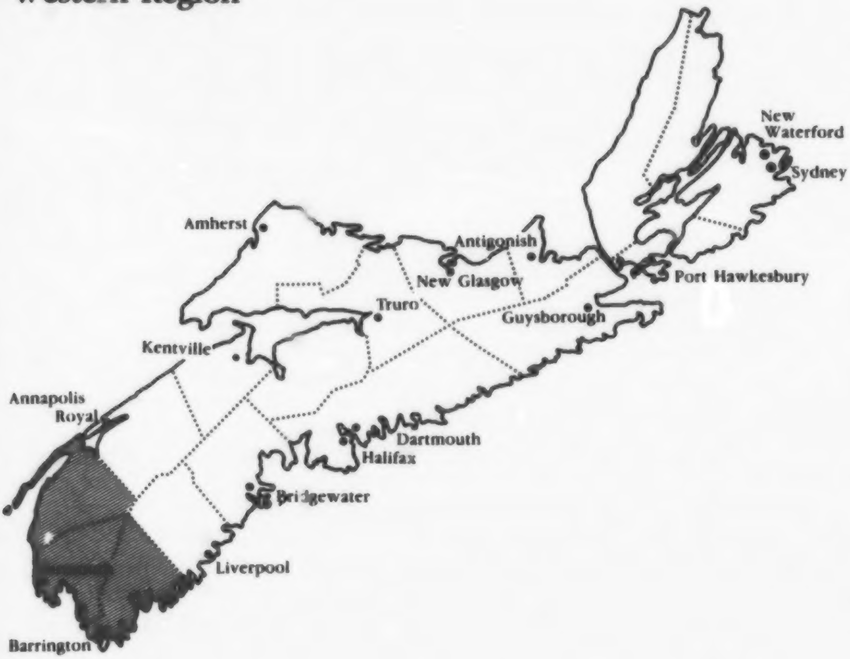
Rehabilitation Services for the counties of Yarmouth and Digby are provided by a Social Service worker located in the Western Regional Office, Yarmouth. A Social Service worker (single parents) also provides counselling services to clients in Digby, Yarmouth and Shelburne counties.

Municipal Social Services

Municipal Social Services are provided on a contractual basis between the Minister of Social Services and the Town of Yarmouth, Municipality of the District of Yarmouth, and Municipality of the District of Argyle. The three Social Service workers responsible for this program provide assistance to clients applying for short-term financial aid and placement in Homes for Special Care. Personal, financial and social data are collected and assessed by these staff members to determine eligibility.

Regional Offices

Western Region



OFFICES

Western Regional Office — Yarmouth
Annapolis District Office — Annapolis Royal
Digby District Office — Digby
Shelburne District Office — Barrington
Family Court — Yarmouth

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided under the Municipal Social Services Program to the elderly and disabled throughout the County of Yarmouth. Supervised by Department staff, homemakers are employees of the municipalities. Three full-time and 17 part-time homemakers comprise the staff complement with direct supervision being provided by a Coordinator for Homemakers Services.

Family Court

The Family Court has its offices in Yarmouth, with circuit courtroom facilities located in Digby, Barrington, Shelburne, and Liverpool. A Court Supervisor is responsible for staff involved in programs relating to maintenance collection and enforcement, the Young Offenders Act, as well as numerous other statutes for which the Family Court has jurisdiction.

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services, formerly the Children's Aid Society, has been in existence since 1913 and since that time has provided various services to the community. These services have included:

- child protection
- children in care and custody
- foster home finding
- adoptions (agency and private)
- single parents
- counselling
- residential centre

The staff of the agency is comprised of five field workers, a stenographer, switchboard operator, bookkeeper, supervisor and director. The agency also employed two university students through the Provincial Summer Employment Program. The Board of Directors has been a valued asset to the direction and operation of the agency. During the year a new committee, The Future Planning and Goal Setting Committee, was formed to review the programs and direction of the agency.

The Child Protection Program was serviced by three workers who carried an increased caseload during the fiscal year, 1984-85. There was a 47% increase in referrals over the previous year. Child abuse cases represented an increase of 27%, while neglect cases increased by 58%. Many of the former cases were of a serious nature, and required intensive fact finding and casework practice by staff completing the investigation. As a result of agency and staff efforts a working protocol was initiated to investigate these cases. Despite the increase of caseloads, the number of children apprehended decreased by 24%, while the number of voluntary care placements more than doubled over the previous year.

Some 862 children have been committed to care during the years of operation. At the years' end, 67 children remained in care. The majority were between the ages of 10 and 20.

As a result of a Child Abuse Awareness Program during the year, the agency noted an increased need for more foster homes and initiated a drive in this area. During this time, 10 new applications were received, eight of which were approved.

In the fiscal year, 1984-85, 16 agency adoption applications were received, along with eight private adoption applications. Four children from the agency were placed for adoption during the year, while three children from other agencies were placed for adoption in Yarmouth County.

The Unmarried Mothers Program noted 13 new referrals during the year. The agency also provided course material for a S.T.E.P. Program (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) to single parents in an effort to contribute and encourage knowledgeable child care. Agency staff have continued to provide counselling where necessary and to a large extent have relied on the professional services of the Bertha Churchill Clinic, Yarmouth Hospital, and the services of an area psychologist.

Residential Centre

This facility, located in Hebron, Yarmouth County, has been open since 1974. The seven counsellors, housemother, secretary and director of the centre provide a comprehensive program for the 12 children, four girls and eight boys, placed in their care.

Digby District Office, Digby

F.A. (Sandy) Bowes, District Supervisor

The Digby District Office is located on Warwick Street in the Town of Digby and serves the entire population of Digby County.

It offers all programs in English and French.

Municipal Social Service Program

The Municipal Social Service Program is administered by two Social Service workers. One worker is responsible for the Municipality of Digby and Town of Digby. The other is responsible for the Municipality of Clare as well as the Community Residence Program for the entire county, involving an average of 13 people per month.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program involves two Social Service workers with a total monthly caseload of about 725. One Social Service worker is responsible for the Municipality of Digby and the Town of Digby and the other worker serves the population of the Municipality of Clare.

Family and Children's Services

Family and Children's Services has two Social Service workers and one social worker. It consists of children in care and custody, protection, foster home program, family support, unmarried mothers program, single parents program and day care program. The three workers also provide home studies for the Family Court.

Homemakers Services

The Homemakers Services Program has 10 Homemakers employed. Two serve the Town of Digby, four serve the Municipality of Digby and four serve the Municipality of Clare. This has proven to be a very successful program and is in great demand by the citizens of Digby County.

Family Court

Family Court is held in Digby on Tuesday of each week. Youth Court is held in Digby on the second Tuesday of each month. The Special Protection Program for Digby and Annapolis counties is administered by a Social Service worker who carries a caseload of probation and after-care services.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services (which includes the single parents program) are provided by two Social Service workers from the Western Regional Office in Yarmouth.

Shelburne District Office, Barrington

Raymond G. Harris, District Supervisor

The Shelburne District Office is a joint services office, serving both the Department of Social Services and the Children's Aid society of Shelburne County. Joint services is an arrangement between the Department of Social Services and an agency under which the two offices share the same physical building and the same administration.

Family Benefits

This program provides benefits under the Family Benefits Act to approximately 420 recipients. Two Social Service workers are responsible for the day-to-day direction of the Family Benefits caseload.

Municipal Social Service Program

Municipal Social Services is provided on a contractual basis with the five municipal units in the county. The program provides short-term financial assistance to people in need as well as services to people requesting admittance to Homes for Special Care. There are four Registered Homes for Special Care in the county. The General Assistance caseload averages 30 and Homes for Special Care averages 150. In-Home Support services is available in one municipal unit.

Homemaker Services

Homemaker Services are provided in four of the five municipal units. This service gives assistance and care to the aged, the ill and families experiencing difficulty with child care. The present caseload is 75 families.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are offered to enable disabled individuals to reach or regain their maximum potential, including gainful employment. The present caseload is 33 and is growing.

Day Care

Day Care investigations and assessments are carried out for 10 day care subsidized seats in the county.

Outreach

One staff is a member of the Outreach Committee for services to the elderly in Shelburne County. Through the efforts of this committee, a meals-on-wheels program is operating successfully in Shelburne Town. Other Projects include a seniors assistance line and a proposal for a Home Health Care service.

Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County

Raymond G. Harris, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society provides the following services:

- protection services, average caseload 52
- adoption services
- foster home care
- unmarried mother services
- foster home evaluation
- family counselling
- family support services
- other services, such as custody reports for court, out-of-province requests and services to the mentally handicapped.

The Board of Directors of the Children's Aid Society has directed much of its energy over the past year towards establishing a sheltered workshop for young, mentally handicapped adults. There is now a Community Board in place, incorporation has been completed and space rented. At present, fund raising is a major undertaking.

The Family Support Services program goal is to work with parents individually and in groups, to encourage and help them to do their best in meeting the needs of their families and rearing children to be well adjusted and self-sufficient. During the past year, one Family Support worker held 1,084 individual interviews and 31 group courses, varying in length from four weeks to ten weeks. This worker was also responsible for staff education and training within the office. Several seminars, workshops and training sessions were held. Family counselling services are available on a part-time basis to anyone in the county and include:

• individual counselling	102
• marital counselling	21
• family counselling	22
• parental coaching	79
• relaxation therapy	8

Annapolis District Office, Annapolis County

Donald A. Lefurgey, District Supervisor

The Annapolis District Office, located in the Municipal Administration Building in Annapolis Royal, operates under a joint service agreement with Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County and serves a population of 22,000.

Two Family Benefits workers investigate the applications of potential recipients for financial assistance. They also carry out annual reviews of clients and report any changes in their financial status. Their combined caseload numbers approximately 600. These same two Social Service workers are responsible for supervising subsidized day care and annually reviewing nursery schools in the county. One of the workers also administers the Vocational Rehabilitation Program, through which single parents become involved in programs to develop necessary skills required for employment.

Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County

Donald A. Lefurgey, Executive Director

The District Supervisor of the Annapolis District Office serves in a joint capacity as Executive Director of Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County. The following services are provided to people in Annapolis County:

- protection services to children and families in crisis
- children in care and custody
- adoption services
- foster home care
- unmarried mother services
- family and marriage counselling
- homemaker services.

In addition to the above, the social work staff provides special services such as custody reports and out-of-province requests for supervision or home studies.

The staff complement of Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County includes four full-time and two part-time social workers; two half-time stenographers and one bookkeeper.

At the present time, there are 56 children in care and custody. The protection caseload is approximately 90.

The Homemaker Services program is coordinated by a full-time person, who supervises nine part-time Homemakers. Additional funding was received during 1984-85 to hire a Home Handyperson through the Home Life Supports Program. The Home Handyperson does basic home repairs for seniors and disabled citizens in Annapolis County. This service has been well received to date.

Staff Training and Development Services

Greg Gammon, M.S.W., Supervisor

The Staff Training section designs, arranges and delivers inservice training programs for management, Social Services personnel and support staff working in 19 field offices, 7 institutions, 7 Family Court locations, as well as for staff working in other related social services agencies and facilities throughout the province.

Training programs are planned in consultation with the various program divisions of the Department. These programs are designed with both a practical and theoretical input so that staff are taught to integrate theory with practice, to think with increasing precision, and to improve performance. In this way, staff become aware of new methods and techniques for helping the clients they serve.

During 1984-85, over 20 inservice seminars, workshops and short courses were offered to about 500 staff members. Serveral activities will be highlighted. In cooperation with the Nova Scotia Association of Homemakers Services, the Visiting Homemakers Training Course was delivered to 58 homemakers in Annapolis, Halifax, New Waterford and Windsor. Many of the staff trained came into the program as a result of the expansion of the Home Life Supports Program, designed to better enable senior citizens to remain in their own home.

Training sessions were also arranged for Child Welfare staff working in the Antigonish, Guysborough district offices, the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County and the Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond Counties. Using videotape and teleconferencing methods, this training focused on helping staff members sharpen their investigative skills in child sexual abuse cases.

The training section manages an audio-visual library containing over 300 films, videotapes and slide programs which are distributed to provincial agencies and institutions for inservice training and public education purposes. Training programs continue to be arranged to keep staff current on changes in legislation, policies and programs.

Table 34

Regional and District Offices and The Family Court By County

CAPE BRETON REGION — Cape Breton, Richmond, Victoria and Inverness counties

Regional Office — Sydney

District Office — Port Hawkesbury

Family Court — Sydney (serving the Cape Breton Region)

Sub-Office — New Waterford

NORTH SHORE REGION — Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou, Colchester and Cumberland counties

Regional Office — New Glasgow

District Offices — Amherst, Antigonish, Truro, Guysborough

Family Court — New Glasgow (serving the counties of Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou and Colchester)

— Amherst (serving the county of Cumberland)

HALIFAX REGION — Halifax and Hants counties

Regional Office — Halifax

District Offices — Dartmouth, Sackville, Windsor

Family Court — Halifax (serving the City of Halifax and part of Halifax County)

— Dartmouth (serving the City of Dartmouth and part of Halifax County)

WESTERN REGION — Annapolis, Yarmouth, Digby and Shelburne counties

Regional Office — Yarmouth

District Offices — Barrington, Digby, Annapolis

Family Court — Yarmouth (serving the Western Region)

CENTRAL REGION — Lunenburg, Queens and Kings counties

Regional Office — Kentville

District Offices — Bridgewater, Liverpool

Family Court — Kentville (serving the Central Region)

Table 35

Personnel in the Five Regions

	Cape Breton	Central	Halifax	North Shore	Western	Total
Regional Administrator	1	1	1	1	1	5
Assistant Regional Administrator	1	—	—	—	1	2
District Supervisor	1	2	3	4	3	13
Casework Supervisor	2	2	4	1	1	10
Supervisor of Family Benefits Program	1	—	1	—	—	2
Supervisor of the Family Court	1	—	1	—	—	2
Senior Family Court Officer	1	—	2	—	—	3
Field Staff	35	17	65	33	22	172
Clerical Staff	19	10	32	17	10	88
TOTAL FIELD STAFF						297

Table 36

Family and Children's Services of Kings County
Service Facts

1984 — 1985

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
New referrals of families	300	316	500
Profile of referrals (January-March)	75	86	198
Children apprehended	17	40	41
Reports to Child Abuse Registry	6	33	59
Children coming into permanent care	13	20	34
Children coming into temporary care	17	47	37
Children in permanent care	85	83	91
Children placed for adoption	10	21	23
Agency foster homes	57	54	68

Financial Services Division

Arnold R.Jones, Director

Fiscal Planning and Control

The Coordinator is responsible for preparing the departmental budget and supervising its control on an ongoing basis throughout the year. Over recent years budget preparation has become more complex; as a result, the Coordinator is responsible for training the line managers on all aspects of the budget preparation and control.

Data Verification and Accounting

The Supervisor is responsible for developing and maintaining acceptable accounting procedures for the entire Department, and maintaining a constant review of the Financial Services computer programs to ensure that the most current and accurate expenditure information is available to senior management and the budget subject managers.

Claims, Contracts/Data Processing

The Supervisor is responsible for preparing all claims for cost-sharing with the Government of Canada. This section is also responsible for the data entry of all expenditure and recovery items to the Financial Services

Computer System as well as the production of all monthly and special financial reports.

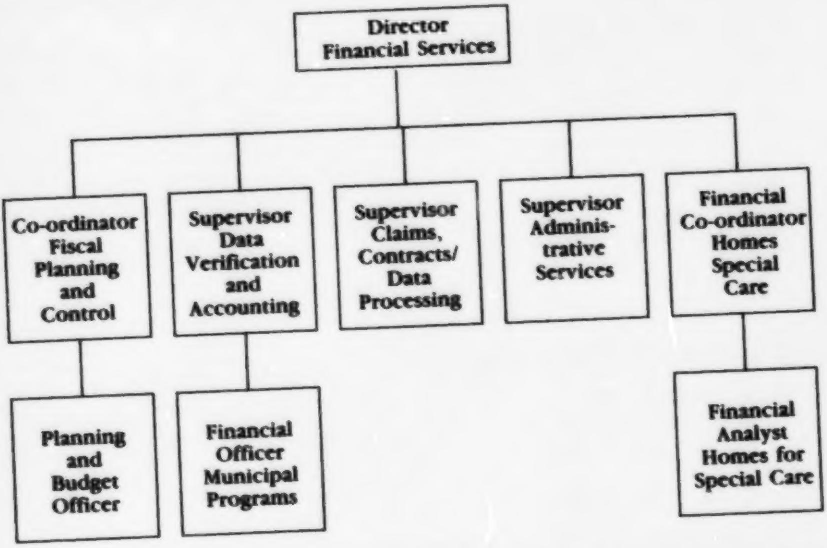
Administrative Services

The Supervisor is responsible for account and bank reconciliations, purchasing, inventory, equipment maintenance, incoming and outgoing mail, and the financial aspects of the three programs for senior citizens.

Financial Co-ordinator—Homes for Special Care

The Co-ordinator is responsible for the financial analysis necessary to establish a reasonable shareable per diem rate for all Homes for Special Care. At present there are over 220 such homes.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART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Co-ordinator Fiscal Planning and Control
Supervisor Data Verification and Accounting
Supervisor Claims, Contracts/ Data Processing
Supervisor Adminis-trative Services
Financial Co-ordinator Homes Special Care
Planning and Budget Officer
Financial Officer Municipal Programs
Financial Analyst Homes for Special Care

The Financial Services Division provides the total financial support services for the entire Department.

Financial Expenditures and Estimates

Administration

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
HEAD OFFICE		
Senior Management	453,331.05	551,400
Family Court-Judicial	839,098.39	779,000
Direct Grants	1,066,129.00	1,145,000
Audit Services	258,859.09	292,500
Financial Services	1,464,948.25	1,495,300
Appeal Services	150,850.32	165,300
Staff Training	56,451.90	88,800
Senior Citizens Secretariat	111,759.35	105,100
Total	4,401,427.35	4,622,400
FIELD SERVICES — HEAD OFFICE		
Administration	185,716.44	237,200
Psychological Services	122,907.53	170,200
Total	308,623.97	407,400
FIELD SERVICES — CAPE BRETON REGION		
Administration	266,398.88	272,000
Family Benefits	630,041.38	733,500
Family Court Services	614,405.92	691,700
Rehabilitation Services	132,812.77	142,900
Services for the Mentally Handicapped	37,067.64	38,000
Municipal Contracts	115,327.81	119,600
Community Services	116,224.02	128,500
Total	1,912,278.42	2,126,200
FIELD SERVICES — NORTH SHORE REGION		
Administration	468,480.01	467,400
Family Benefits	321,053.52	348,800
Municipal Contracts	224,119.11	257,900
Rehabilitation Services	126,210.51	131,700
Services for the Mentally Handicapped	32,134.09	36,500
Family Court Services	423,222.89	468,300
Children's Services	163,108.47	169,400
Community Services	41,849.16	52,200
Less: Chargeable to other departments	—	8,500
Total	1,800,177.76	1,923,700

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
FIELD SERVICES — HALIFAX REGION		
Administration	430,266.45	454,300
Family Benefits	743,735.43	778,700
Family Court Services	873,292.64	1,005,300
Rehabilitation Services	213,298.33	251,900
Children's Services	830,126.01	941,700
Municipal Contracts	126,205.63	116,500
Community Services	32,405.79	33,900
Day Care Services	Nil	59,600
Total	3,249,330.28	3,641,900
FIELD SERVICES — CENTRAL REGION		
Administration	290,898.95	304,600
Family Benefits	214,112.76	227,600
Rehabilitation Services	97,374.12	103,600
Family Court Services	289,466.51	332,400
Municipal Contracts	160,901.22	168,300
Total	1,052,733.56	1,136,500
FIELD SERVICES — WESTERN REGION		
Administration	320,475.02	382,400
Family Benefits	249,819.40	268,400
Rehabilitation Services	60,213.97	64,700
Family Court Services	183,058.37	219,500
Children's Services	112,083.50	111,900
Municipal Contracts	261,944.51	264,900
Total	1,187,594.77	1,311,800
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	13,912,186.11	15,169,900

Family and Children's Services

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
CHILDREN'S SERVICES		
Administration	468,986.18	509,100
Maintenance — Foster Homes	3,411,392.72	3,757,200
Maintenance — Community Residential Facilities	2,031,912.93	2,263,200
Apprehension Costs	279,029.72	240,600
Voluntary Care	458,394.49	378,100
Payments to Children's Service Agencies	4,891,612.81	5,078,100
Payments to Private Agencies for Unmarried Mothers	263,921.90	268,500
Grant — Family Services of Eastern Nova Scotia	560,918.75	559,300
Total	12,366,169.50	13,054,100
Nova Scotia Residential Centre	Nil	1,380,300
DAY CARE SERVICES		
Administration	317,135.28	275,700
Day Care Subsidy	4,899,324.28	5,186,000
Payments to Child Development Centres	180,527.40	190,800
Total	5,396,986.96	5,652,500
HOMEMAKER SERVICES		
Administration	66,848.75	68,200
Homemaker Subsidy	2,573,507.00	2,937,500
Total	2,640,355.75	3,005,700
TOTAL FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES	20,403,512.21	23,092,600

Rehabilitation and Community Services

SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED		
Administration	522,760.70	549,100
Maintenance of Children in Foster Homes	98,876.58	129,400
Maintenance of Children in Nursing Homes	91,063.43	63,000
Total	712,700.71	741,500

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Administration	111,985.70	114,700
Summer Programs	448,059.15	491,100
Total	560,044.85	605,800
REHABILITATION SERVICES		
Administration	233,483.70	255,200
Payments to Rehabilitation Workshops	2,303,788.34	2,339,000
Payments to Work Activity Projects	1,087,152.00	1,244,800
Total	3,624,424.04	3,839,000
NOVA SCOTIA YOUTH TRAINING CENTRE		
Administration	621,776.93	690,500
Academic, Vocational & Social Services	642,887.37	697,900
Daily Living Program	1,583,414.33	1,635,200
Operating and Maintenance	733,890.03	789,700
Total	3,581,968.66	3,813,300
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE — DARTMOUTH		
Administration	237,817.70	233,600
Daily Living Program	510,559.30	542,400
Operating and Maintenance	264,162.23	281,900
Total	1,012,539.23	1,057,900
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE — DIGBY		
Administration	188,011.42	219,800
Daily Living Program	494,606.96	511,400
Operating and Maintenance	249,267.17	259,500
Total	931,885.55	990,700
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE — PICTOU		
Administration	220,845.96	258,400
Daily Living Program	472,422.84	478,000
Operating and Maintenance	239,532.56	269,900
Total	932,801.36	1,006,300

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE — SYDNEY		
Administration	208,996.57	233,400
Daily Living Program	497,117.44	560,700
Operating and Maintenance	239,615.56	256,600
Total	945,729.57	1,050,700
TOTAL REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	12,302,093.97	13,105,200

Protection Services

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
SPECIAL PROTECTION SERVICES		
Administration	134,817.42	580,100
Maintenance of Children	378,764.17	772,100
Total	513,581.59	1,352,200
NOVA SCOTIA SCHOOL FOR BOYS		
Administration	635,215.41	739,600
Academic, Vocational and Social Services	498,814.59	543,300
Daily Living Program	1,055,521.22	1,186,800
Operating and Maintenance	700,141.84	761,200
Total	2,889,693.06	3,230,900
NOVA SCOTIA SCHOOL FOR GIRLS		
Administration	248,762.57	—
Academic, Vocational & Social Services	261,924.77	—
Daily Living Program	479,453.63	—
Operating and Maintenance	291,019.59	—
Total	1,281,160.56	—
TOTAL PROTECTION SERVICES	4,684,435.21	4,583,100

+N.S.R.C. - Nova Scotia Residential Centre

Public Assistance

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
FAMILY BENEFITS		
Administration	573,303.03	586,700
Family Benefits Review Board	57,895.90	69,100
Family Benefits Payments	105,534,599.54	112,388,400
Diabetic Assistance	210,252.00	216,000
Pharmacare Program	5,145,422.00	5,500,000
Total	111,521,472.47	118,760,200
SENIOR CITIZENS FINANCIAL AID		
Administration	315,322.08	294,600
Special Social Assistance Payments	10,391,492.00	10,568,800
Property Tax Rebate for Senior Citizens	2,699,315.87	2,708,000
Rental Assistance for Senior Citizens	1,114,126.83	1,250,000
Total	14,520,256.78	14,821,400
MUNICIPAL SOCIAL SERVICES		
Administration	440,883.28	495,900
Payments for General Assistance	24,183,023.97	24,150,000
Payments for Residential Care Facilities	1,507,329.20	1,607,300
Payments for Nursing Homes	9,275,224.05	9,642,600
Payments for Homes for the Aged	18,736,798.86	19,589,400
Payments for Group Homes and Developmental Residences	2,052,752.05	2,196,600
Payments for Adult Residential Centres	7,035,582.34	7,349,300
Payments for Regional Rehabilitation Centres	12,431,299.61	13,474,200
Construction Assistance — Homes for Special Care	(8,750.00)	47,500
Payments for Municipal Administration	5,207,830.64	5,240,900
Payments for Civil/Family Legal Aid	851,999.42	890,400
Total	81,713,973.42	84,684,100
TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	207,755,702.67	218,265,700

Other Social Services

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
POLICY PLANNING AND RESEARCH		
Administration	199,327.12	351,700
Research Projects	Nil	131,700
Program/Policy Development	145,726.49	Nil
Total	345,053.61	483,400
DATA PROCESSING SERVICES		
Administration	319,185.71	334,500
Data Processing	1,545,012.90	1,769,200
Total	1,864,198.61	2,103,700
SOCIAL SERVICES TRAINING PROGRAM	46,800.14	133,600
Less: Chargeable to other Departments	—	71,600
Total	46,800.14	62,000
INDIAN AFFAIRS	61,333.56	64,000
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES-DESIGN	809,509.70	1,577,000
NOVA SCOTIA SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL	15,712.41	25,800
NOVA SCOTIA SENIOR CITIZEN'S COMMISSION	15,319.18	29,100
TOTAL OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES	3,157,927.21	4,345,000
TOTAL DEPARTMENT	262,215,857.38	278,561,500

Ordinary Recovery Detail

	Actual Expenditures 1984-85	Approved Estimate 1985-86
ADMINISTRATION		
Government of Canada	4,124,855.33	5,523,600
Municipalities	204,284.14	216,000
Other	268,548.00	268,200
Total — Administration	4,597,687.47	6,007,800
FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES		
Government of Canada	10,791,707.29	12,103,100
Municipalities	397,568.69	584,000
Other Provinces	—	700,000
Other	7,262.39	31,500
Total — Family and Children's Services	11,196,538.37	13,418,600
REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Government of Canada	6,516,311.38	6,951,300
PROTECTION SERVICES		
Government of Canada	2,750,958.71	2,438,700
Municipalities	58,027.03	108,300
Other Provinces	418,676.52	—
Total — Protection Services	3,227,662.26	2,547,000
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
Government of Canada	78,732,520.45	84,315,600
OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES		
Government of Canada	1,549,227.08	3,023,700
TOTAL — ORDINARY RECOVERIES	105,819,947.01	116,264,000

Audit Services Division

G.W. Hudson, C.A., B.B.A., Director

Audit Services is responsible for providing assistance to departmental personnel to ensure that public funds are expended with due regard to economy and efficiency. This responsibility is discharged by applying traditional auditing techniques to the accounting and operating records generated by departmental personnel and preparing reports to the responsible managers and the Deputy Minister as to findings and recommendations. These auditing techniques are also used to determine whether or not funds provided to other agencies, Homes for Special Care, and municipal units are in accordance with applicable legislation and agreements. Reports arising from these audits are also provided to responsible program personnel and the Deputy Minister. The division conducts audits at head office and at field and agency offices throughout the province. Five auditors and one support person help the Supervisor and Director complete these audits.

Changes to the existing audit procedures and programs, which were started during the previous year, were continued and enhanced during 1984-85. The division made major changes to audit programs for Family Benefits to accommodate the changes brought about through decentralization. The audits of this program were conducted in two of the Department's regional offices as well as Head Office.

The comprehensive auditing techniques developed during the previous year were used in reviewing the 13 Children's Aid Societies

Staff of Audit Services Division

throughout the province. The partial comprehensive audit program of these agencies resulted in a completely redesigned financial statement format that allowed the Department to compare the financial performance of all agencies. The information and statistics so gained will be used to develop a comprehensive audit program for the Children's Aid Societies next year.

Personnel of the division provided other support services to the Department during the year:

- The Director helped purchase and develop a computerized accounting and reporting system for Children's Aid Societies.
- The Supervisor of the Division represented the Department on the Board of the Preston Area Housing Fund as Treasurer and played an active role in the financial administration of this important service.
- The Director represented the division on various departmental committees.
- Staff helped develop the *Manual of Policy and Procedures* for the Work Activity Centres.
- Staff were represented on computerized systems acceptance committees.

Social Services

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Head Office

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Vacant	Supervisor — Staff Training

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Executive Director	Cyril Reddy
President	Robin Campbell

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President	Betty Gruchy

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Executive Director	Donald Burns
President	Kay Chandler

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Executive Director	Raymond Harris
President	Donald Glover

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Executive Director	Douglas Raymond, R.S.W.
President	Rev. A.D. (Bill) Newell

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Executive Director	Gordon MacMaster
President	Martin MacKinnon

Municipal Social Services Workers

*Municipal units which do not have an office or a full-time Social Service Worker and in which the Provincial Government does not share administrative costs, but does share assistant costs at the rate of $66^{2}/_{3}$ per cent.

Cities

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Halifax	Harold Crowell, R.S.W. Social Planner	City of Halifax P.O. Box 1749 Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2A5
Sydney	James MacCormack, M.S.W. Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 730 Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 6H7

Towns

Amherst	Mrs. Audrey Copp Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 471 Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 4A1
Annapolis Royal	Mr. Brian Taylor Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Annapolis Co. Municipal Building Annapolis Royal Nova Scotia B0S 1A0
Antigonish	Mr. L.A. Mills District Supervisor	Antigonish District Office P.O. Box 1450 Antigonish, Nova Scotia B3L 4K3
Bedford	Mr. Ed Mason Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 300 Armdale, Nova Scotia B3L 4K3
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Berwick	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, Nova Scotia B4N 3W3

Bridgetown*	William F. Hamilton Clerk-Treasurer	P.O. Box 309 Bridgetown, Nova Scotia B0S 1C0
Bridgewater	Malcolm Burrill, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2W8
Canso	Greg Wiseman District Supervisor	P.O. Box 90 Chedabucto Mall Guysborough, Nova Scotia B0H 1N0
Clark's Harbour	Raymond Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, Nova Scotia B0W 1E0
Digby	F.A. Bowes District Supervisor	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, Nova Scotia B0V 1A0
Dominion	Gregory MacKenzie Social Service Worker	40 Duggan St. Dominion, Nova Scotia B0A 1E0
Glace Bay	Robert McLennan Director of Social Services	Town Hall 5 MacKeen St. Glace Bay, Nova Scotia B1A 5B9
Hantsport	Barry Costello, M.S.W. District Supervisor	P.O.Box 2350 Windsor, Nova Scotia B0N 2T0
Kentville	Henry Bourgeois, M.S.W. Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, Nova Scotia B4N 3W3
Liverpool	Donald Burns District Supervisor	Queens District Office P.O. Box 1360 Liverpool, Nova Scotia B0T 1K0
Lockeport	Raymond Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, Nova Scotia B0W 1E0

Louisbourg *	Elaine MacPherson Clerk Treasurer	P.O. Box 88 Louisbourg, Nova Scotia B0A 1M0
Lunenburg	Malcolm Burrill, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2W8
Mahone Bay	Malcolm Burrill, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2W8
Middleton	Brian Taylor Director, Social Services	Municipal Admininstration Building. P.O. Box 100 Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia B0S 1P0
Mulgrave	Greg Wiseman, B.A., B.Sc. District Supervisor ATTN: Blair Pellerin	P.O. Box 90 Chedabucto Mall Guysborough, Nova Scotia B0H 1N0
New Glasgow	R.C. Purdy, M.S.W. Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia B2H 5E5
New Waterford	Michael Kelly Director of Social Services	3371 Plummer Ave. New Waterford, Nova Scotia B1H 1Y8
North Sydney	Donald MacKenzie Social Service Worker	262 Commercial Street Box 369 North Sydney, Nova Scotia B2A 3M4
Oxford*	Harris M. McCormack Clerk-Treasurer	P.O. Box 338 Oxford, Nova Scotia B0M 1P0
Parrsboro*	Rosemary Currie Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 399 24 Crescent Ave. Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 3Z5

Pictou	R.C. Purdy, M.S.W. Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia Nova Scotia B2H 5E5
Port Hawkesbury	Gordon MacMaster District Supervisor	P.O. Box 359 Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia B0E 2V0
Shelburne	Raymond Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, Nova Scotia B0W 1E0
Springhill	Raymond Boss Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 2549 Springhill, Nova Scotia B0M 1X0
Stellarton	R.C. Purdy M.S.W. Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia B2H 5E5
Stewiacke*	Harvey MacArthur, M.S.W. Executive Director	P.O. Box 950 Truro, Nova Scotia B2N 5G7
Sydney Mines	John Healey Social Services Worker	Main Street Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia B1V 2L4
Trenton	R.C.Purdy, M.S.W. Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia B2A 5E5
Truro	Harvey MacArthur, M.S.W Executive Director	P.O. Box 950 Truro, Nova Scotia B2N 5G7

Westville	R.C. Purdy, M.S.W. Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia B2H 5E5
Windsor	Barry Costello, M.S.W. District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, Nova Scotia B0N 2T0
Wolfville	Barry Costello, M.S.W. District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, Nova Scotia B0N 2T0
Yarmouth	Douglas Raymond, R.S.W. Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia B5A 4B5

Municipalities

Annapolis County	Brian Taylor Director,Social Services	Municipal Administration Building P.O. Box 100 Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia B0S 1A0
Antigonish County	L.A. Mills District Supervisor	Antigonish District Office P.O. Box 1450 Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 2M5
Argyle	Douglas Raymond Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia B5A 4B5
Barrington	Raymond Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, Nova Scotia B0W 1E0
Cape Breton County	Hugh MacDonald Director of Social Services	865 Grand Lake Road Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 6W2

Cape Breton Joint Expenditure Board	John Woodford Supervisor of Placement	Community Residence Program 292 Charlotte St. Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 1C7
Chester	Malcolm Burrill, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2W8
Clare	Vacant	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, Nova Scotia B0V 1A0
Colchester County	Betty Thomsen Director of Social Services	Court House P.O.Box 697 Truro, Nova Scotia B2N 5E7
Cumberland County	Rosemary Currie Director of Social Services	P.O.Box 399 24 Crescent Ave. Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 3Z5
Digby County	Vacant	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, Nova Scotia B0V 1A0
Guysborough	Greg Wiseman District Supervisor	P.O. Box 90 Chedabucto Mall Guysborough, Nova Scotia B0H 1N0
Halifax County	Edward C. Mason, M.S.W. Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 300 Halifax, Nova Scotia B3L 4K3
	Darmouth Branch	1211 Cole Harbour Rd. Dartmouth, Nova Scotia B2V 1M9
Hants County (Hants East & Hants West)	Barry Costello District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, Nova Scotia B0N 2T0

Inverness County	James F. Gillis Director of Social Services	Municipal Building Port Hood, Nova Scotia B0E 2W0
Kings County	Henry Bourgeois, M.S.W. Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, Nova Scotia B4N 3W3
Lunenburg County	Malcolm Burrilll, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2W8
Pictou County	Michael J. MacIsaac Social Service Worker	P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, Nova Scotia B2H 5E5
Queens County	Donald Burns District Supervisor	Queens District Office P.O. Box 1360 Liverpool, Nova Scotia B0T 1K0
Richmond County	Norman Bartholomew Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 93 St. Peter's, Nova Scotia B0E 3B0
Shelburne County	Raymond Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, Nova Scotia B0W 1E0
St. Mary's	Mr. L.A. Mills District Supervisor	Antigonish District Office P.O. Box 1450 Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 2M5
Victoria County	Mrs. Marion MacDonald Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 29 Baddeck, Nova Scotia B0E 1B0
Yarmouth County	Douglas Raymond Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia B5A 4B4

Homes for Special Care

Residential Care Facilities

Annapolis County Capacity

Nightingale Rest Home 9
Mrs. Margaret Gallant
P.O. Box 77
Granville Ferry, Nova Scotia
B0S 1K0

The Willows 7
Mrs. P. Bathurst
RR #1, Wilmot, Nova Scotia
B0P 1W0

Toole's Rest Home 6
Mrs. Paul Toole
RR #1, Wilmot, Nova Scotia
B0P 1W0

Grace Haven 15
Mrs. Eileen Frost
RR #4 Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
B0S 1C0

Saunders Rest Home 8
Mrs. James Saunders
P.O. Box 114
Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
B0S 1C0

Antigonish County

Highland Crest Home 40
Mrs. Rita MacIsaac
44 Hillcrest St.
Antigonish, Nova Scotia
B2G 2B5

Cape Breton Island

Cameron House 12
Mrs. Dewey Cameron
St. George's Channel
RR #2, West Bay
Richmond Co., Nova Scotia
B0E 3K0

Elizabeth House 11
Mr. G. McNeil
93 Byng Ave.
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 5C1

Mayfair Guest Home 10
Mrs. M. Mombourquette
37 George Street
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 1H4

MacLeod's Boarding Home 6
Miss Jean MacLeod
P.O. Box 153
2 Williams Street
Donkin, Nova Scotia
B0A 1G0

Victoria Haven 20
Mr. W. MacLeod
140 Main Street
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 4Y7

Heritage House 7
Mr. & Mrs. E. Robertson
P.O. Box 81
Port Hood, Nova Scotia
B0E 2W0

John A. Carmichael 11
Rest Home
Mrs. Erma Carmichael
66 Queen Street
North Sydney, Nova Scotia
B2A 1A3

Terrace Manor 21
Mrs. John MacAulay
208 South Street
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 1W1

Midtown Villa 15
Mrs. E. Blanchard
2465 Plummer Avenue
New Waterford, Nova Scotia
B1H 1Z5

Jones Rest Home 7
Mrs. Jeanette Jones
1 Minto Street
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 5B2

MacNabb's Boarding Home 5
Mrs. Agnes MacNabb
35 Commercial Street
Dominion, Nova Scotia
B0A 1E0

New Dawn Guest Home 27
Mrs. Anne Kennedy
141 Dominion Street
P.O. Box 1055
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 6H7

Robertson House 9
Mr. & Mrs. Lindsay Robertson
P.O. Box 83
Margaree Valley, Nova Scotia
B0E 2C0

Corinthian House
RR # 1, Orangedale 7
Inverness Co., Nova Scotia
B0E 2K0

Colchester County

Townsview Estates 78
Mr. C. Dale
P.O. Box 1825
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5Z5

MacNeil's Rest Home 13
Mrs. John MacNeil
Great Village, Nova Scotia
B0M 1L0

Karlaine Place 8
Mrs. Bernice Barnhill
P.O. Box 691
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5E5

Cunningham's Rest Home 17
Mrs. Dorothy Cunningham
P.O. Box 1145
Blair Avenue
Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia
B0K 1V0

Riverside Rest Home 10
Ms. Eileen Spence
Stewiacke, Nova Scotia
B0N 2J0

Westside Villa 26
Mr. C. Dale
421 Prince Street
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 1E6

Cumberland County

Sunrise Villa 20
Mrs. Jean Beaton
West Pugwash, Nova Scotia
B0K 1L0

Hyland Rest Homes Ltd. 39
Mrs. Shirley Forbes
P.O. Box 487
Parrsboro, Nova Scotia
B0M 1S0

Church Street Manor 9
Mrs. M. McAloney
52 Church Street
Springhill, Nova Scotia
B0M 1X0

Wood's Rest Home 29
Mr. & Mrs. N. Wood
P.O. Box 181, Water St.
Oxford, Nova Scotia
B0M 1P0

Shady Rest Estates 24
Mr. Michael Dale
P.O. Box 40
Oxford, Nova Scotia
B0M 1P0

Advocate Manor 22
Mr. Bill Hammond
Water Street
Advocate, Nova Scotia
B0M 1A0

Digby County

Sissiboo Rest Home 11
Mrs. Sandra Duran
Sissiboo Road, RR #4
Weymouth Mills, Nova Scotia
B0W 3T0

La Maison au Coucher du Soleil 22
Mrs. Blanche Gaudet
Saulnierville, Nova Scotia
B0W 2Z0

Halifax City and County

Nova Dania Home 12
Mr. Peter Pederson
Musquodoboit Harbour,
Nova Scotia
B0J 2L0

Lynden Rest Home 17
Mrs. D. Morgan-Downie
6117 Jubilee Road
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 2E8

Nantucket Hall Ltd 28
Mrs. Marlene Webber
10 Fairbanks Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B3A 1B7

Southwood Villa 22
Mrs. D. Morgan-Downie
153 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3P8

Woodside Manor 29
Mrs. B.J. Robb
351 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3S4

Blue Dolphin Foster Villa 10
Mr. Allan James
Musquodoboit Harbour,
Nova Scotia
B0J 2L0

Freeman's Rest Home 9
Mrs. Daisy Freeman
Lucasville Road
P.O. Box 233
Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia
B3J 2R7

Erskine's Boarding Home 4
Mr. & Mrs. John Erskine
Upper Musquodoboit,
Nova Scotia
B0N 2M0

Twin Maples Villa 18
Mrs. Phyllis Hardy
349 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3S4

Haven Manor 15
Miss Gertrude E. Braide
6411 Coburg Road
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 2A6

Karalotte Guest Home 17
Mr. Parker Hilchey
229 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3R5

Hilltop Villa 9
Mr. C. Dorey
200 Main St.
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2X 1S3

Hants County

Avonview Rest Home 16
Mr. and Mrs. James Walsh
Nunn Road
Summerville, Nova Scotia
B0N 2K0

White's Rest Home 6
Mrs. H. Write
RR #2, Kennetcook, Nova Scotia
B0N 1P0

Bennett's Rest Home 6
Mrs. Claire Bennett
P.O. Box 37
Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia
B0N 2H0

Kings County

Seyforth's Boarding Home 30
Mrs. Barbara Seyforth
RR #1, Berwick
(Morristown) Nova Scotia
B0P 1E0

Hirtle's Rest Home 16
Mr. & Mrs. W. Hirtle
255 Commercial Street
Berwick, Nova Scotia
B0P 1E0

Parker's Rest Home 26
Mrs. Irma Parker
P.O. Box 250
Aylesford, Nova Scotia
B0P 1C0

Wolfville Elms 18
Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald
413 Main Street
P.O. Box 16
Wolfville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1X0

Eldridge's Rest Home 15
Mrs. Judy Eldridge
RR #1 Berwick, Nova Scotia
B0P 1E0

Seyforth's Rest Home 26
Mrs. Barbara Seyforth
P.O. Box 129
120 Foster Street
Berwick, Nova Scotia
B0P 1E0

Lunenburg County

Pleasant Rest Home 17
Mr. David Walker
45 Pleasant Street
Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
B4V 1M9

Lohnes' Rest Home 9
Mrs. Rita Lohnes
RR #1
Barss Corner, Nova Scotia
B0R 1A0

Pictou County

Sunset Haven Home 27
Mrs. Rita MacIsaac
253 Forbes Street
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 4P5

Shady Oaks Rest Home 12
Mr. Larry Brezinski
RR #2 Union Centre
Westville, Nova Scotia
B0K 2A0

Queens County

Hillsview Acres 32
Mr. Raymond Fiske
Middlefield, Nova Scotia
B0T 1K0

Shelburne County

Harbour View Rest Home 12
Mr. & Mrs. Willard Holmes
Crest Street
P.O. Box 11
Lockeport, Nova Scotia
B0T 1L0

Yarmouth County

Sunset Terrace 19
(Old Ladies' Home Society)
Mr. Robert B. Killam
8 James Street
Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
B5A 2V1

Group Homes & Development Residences

Antigonish County

L'Arche Group Home 6
Ms. Judy O'Donnell
69 St. Ninian Street
Antigonish, Nova Scotia
B2G 1Y7

Cape Breton Island

Developmental Residence 7
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
880 George St.
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 1M1

MacDonald Hall Group Home 13
Mr. D. MacIvor
P.O. Box 220
Inverness, Nova Scotia
B0E 1N0

Union Street Group Home 9
Mrs. Helen Tatlock
30 Union Street
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 4X5

70 George St. Group Home 10
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
70 George Street
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 1H7

Clyde Ave. Developmental Residence 7
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
11 Clyde Avenue
Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia
B1V 2E3

Colchester County

McCully House Group Home 8
Ms. Lillian DeCoste
82 Lorne Street
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 3K3

Cumberland County

Amherst Group Home 8
Mr. Ed Thibodeau
1 Rupert Street
Amherst, Nova Scotia
B4H 3R2

Halifax County

Abbott Drive Developmental Residence 9
Ms. Bev Wicks
7097-7099 Abbott Drive
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3L 2L5

Hawthorne St. Group Home 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
63 Hawthorne Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 2Y7

Oxford Street Group Home 12
Ms. Bev Wicks
1613 Oxford Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 3Z7

Gottingen Street Group Home 9
Mr. Bob Tobin
2690 Gottingen Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3K 3C7

Pleasant Street Developmental Residence 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
105 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3P7

MacDougall Avenue Developmental Residence 7
Ms. Bev Wicks
30 MacDougall Drive
Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia
B4C 3E7

Victoria Road Group Home 10
Mr. Bob Tobin
70 Victoria Road
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B3A 1T8

Vernon Street Group Home 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
1648 Vernon Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 3N1

Joseph Howe Drive 8
Group Home
Mr. Bob Tobin
3235-3241 Joseph Howe Drive
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3L 4A3

Basinview Drive 8
Developmental Residence
Ms. Bev Wicks
3838 Basinview Drive
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3K 5A2

Robert Allen Drive 7
Developmental Residence
Ms. Bev Wicks
31 Robert Allen Drive
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3M 3G9

Home for Independent Living 6
Mrs. Leila Gashus
2505 Oxford St.
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3L 2T5

Hants County

Kings Meadows Group Home 10
Gary Campbell
RR #1
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0

Lantz Group Home 8
Mr. Robin C. Strickland
P.O. Box 175
Lantz, Nova Scotia
B0N 1R0

Kings County

Kentville Group Home 8
Mrs. Brenda Wolfe
14 Oakdene Terrace
Kentville, Nova Scotia
B4N 2B5

Wolfville Developmental 11
Residence
Brenda Wolfe
462 Main St.
Wolfville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1X0

Lunenburg County

LaHave Manor Group Home 9
Mrs. Carolyn Mossman
58 Alexandra Avenue
Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
B4V 1H1

Bonny Lea Farm 26
P.O. Box 560
Chester, Nova Scotia
B0J 1J0

Pictou County

Temperance Street 8
Developmental Residence
Ms. Linda Pogue
304 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 3B5

Foord Street Group Home 8
Ms. Linda Pogue
304 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 3B5

Licensed Nursing Homes

Annapolis Nursing Homes

Stewart's Nursing Home 14
Mrs. C.A. Stewart
808 St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia
B0S 1A0

Annapolis Royal Nursing Home 44
Mrs. Florence Wolfe
St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia
B0S 1A0

Cape Breton Island

Spring Garden Villa 264
Mrs. K. Wrathell
70 St. Anthony's Drive
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1S 2R5

MacGillivray Guest Home 74
Sister Amelia Deveau
25 Xavier Drive
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1S 2R9

Victoria Haven Nursing Home 23
Mr. Harold MacLeod
429A Third Street
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 4G6

St. Anne's Community & 11
Nursing Care Cente
Mrs. Myrtle Boudreau
P.O. Box 128
Arichat, Nova Scotia
B0E 1A0

Colchester County

Glenview Lodge 47
Mrs. Therese Strutt
East Prince Street
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5B2

Hillcrest Manors Ltd. 118
Mrs. Carol MacMillan
P.O. Box 1210
Manor Drive
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5H1

Cumberland County

MacAloney's Nursing Home 36
Mr. A.J. MacAloney
17 McFarlane Street
Springhill, Nova Scotia
B0M 1X0

The Gables Lodge Home 85
Mr. & Mrs. Syed Hussain
252 Church Street
Amherst, Nova Scotia
B4H 3B3

Guysborough County

MacKracher's Nursing Home 30
Mr. and Mrs. L.R. MacKaracher
Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia
B0J 3C0

Halifax City and County

Glades Lodge 118
Mrs. Jan White
25 Alton Drive
Armdale, Nova Scotia
B3N 1M1

Park Haven Estates 249
Mr. J. Rait
126 Purcell's Cove Road
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3P 1B5

Halifax Nursing Home 24
Mr. I.C. Easton
1019 Lucknow Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 2T2

Fairview Villa 207
Mr. R. Grabowski
245 Main Avenue
Fairview, Nova Scotia
B3M 1B7

Scotia Nursing Home 45
Mr. Lawrence J. McKenna
Beaverbank, Nova Scotia
B0N 1A0

Kings County

Wolfville Nursing Home 44
Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald
346 Main Street
Wolfville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1X0

Palmeter's Country Nursing Home 95
Mr. E.G. Griffin
655 Park Street
Kentville, Nova Scotia
B4N 3V7

Lunenburg County

Mahone Nursing Home 35
Mr. W. Currie
P.O. Box 320
Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia
B0J 2E0

Queens County

North Queens Nursing Home 42
Mrs. Jean Fancy
P.O. Box 181
Caledonia, Nova Scotia
B0T 1B0

Shelburne County

Surf Lodge Nursing Home 26
Mr. & Mrs. Willard Holmes
P.O. Box 160
Lockeport, Nova Scotia
B0T 1L0

Yarmouth County

Villa St. Joseph du Lac 79
Sister Estelle Arsenault
RR #1
P.O. Box 810, Lakeside
Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
B5A 4A5

Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged

Annapolis County

Mountain Lea Lodge 106
Mr. Larry Masters
RR #1, Church Street
Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
B0S 1C0

Antigonish County

R.K. MacDonald Guest Home 106
Sister Florence Morrison
Administrator
64 Pleasant Street
Antigonish, Nova Scotia
B2G 1W7

Cape Breton Island

Alderwood Home for the Aged 69
Mrs. Marcella Roberts
Administrator
P.O. Box 218
Baddeck
Victoria Co., Nova Scotia
B0E 1B0

Inverary Manor 60
Mr. S.A. Matheson
Administrator
Box 460
Maple Street
Inverness, Nova Scotia
B0E 1N0

Foyer Pere Fiset 60
Mrs. Lorraine Aucoin
Cheticamp
Inverness Co., Nova Scotia
B0E 1H0

Seaview Manor 101
Mr. Dan Munroe
275 South Street
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 1W6

Richmond Villa 75
Miss Isabelle Johnston
Administrator
P.O. Box 250
St. Peter's
Richmond Co., Nova Scotia
B0E 3B0

Cumberland County

East Cumberland Lodge 65
Ms. Brenda Benjamin
Administrator
P.O. Box 250
Pugwash, Nova Scotia
B0K 1L0

Digby County

Tideview Terrace 80
Mr. Russell Stonehouse
Administrator
P.O. Box 1120
Digby, Nova Scotia
B0V 1A0

Villa Acadienne 69
Mr. H. Saulnier
P.O. Box 178
Meteghan, Nova Scotia
B0W 2K0

Guysborough County

Hazel Hill Rest Home 41
Mrs. E. Richard
Administrator
RR #1, Hazel Hill
Canso, Nova Scotia
B0H 1H0

Halifax County

Ocean View Manor 182
Mr. John Morrison
Administrator
Box 130
Eastern Passage
Halifax, Co., Nova Scotia
B0J 1L0

Hants County

Dykeland Lodge 75
Mr. W. Robert Brooks
Curry's Corner
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0

Kings County

Grand View Manor 100
Mr. Richard E. Wagner
Administrator
P.O. Box 309
Berwick, Nova Scotia
B0P 1E0

Lunenburg County

Harbour View Haven 127
Mr. G.W. Crouse
Administrator
P.O. Box 1480
Blockhouse Hill Road
Lunenburg, Nova Scotia
B0J 2C0

Pictou County

Edward Mortimer Place 94
Mr. Ralph Heighton
Administrator
P.O. Box 250
Haliburton Road
Pictou, Nova Scotia
B0K 1H0

Valley View Villa 96
Mr. David Lank
Administrator
RR #1, Riverton, Nova Scotia
B0K 2S0

Glen Haven Manor 212
Mr. J. Ferguson
Administrator
739 East River Road
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 5E9

Queens County

Queens' Manor 60
Mr. B. Selig
P.O. Box 1283, Liverpool
Queens County, Nova Scotia
B0T 1K0

Shelburne County

Roseway Manor Inc. 65
Mrs. Joan Lay
Administrator
Box 518, Sandy Point
Shelburne County, Nova Scotia
B0T 1W0

Privately Operated Homes for the Aged

Cape Breton Island

The Cove 108
Mr. Alfred Matheson
Kings Road
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1S 1B9

Northside Community
Guest Home 90
Mrs. L. MacEachern
11 Queen Steet
North Sydney, Nova Scotia
B2A 1A2

Maple Hill Manor 50
Mrs. M. Yurczyszyn
700 King Street
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B1H 3Z5

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590 King Street
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0

Freemason's Home 60
Mrs. I. Mounce
558 Wentworth St.
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0

Lunenburg County

Hillside Pines 50
Mr. Don Roper
77 Exhibition Ave
Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
B4B 2X6

Shoreham Village 82
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B0J 1J0

Rosedale Home 29
Mrs. D. Cahoon
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New Germany, Nova Scotia
B0R 1E0

Pictou County

I.O.O.F. Home 41
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B0K 1H0

Yarmouth County

Tidal View Manor 103
Mrs. Paula Bagnall
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Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
B5A 2P5

Specialized Institutional Facilities for the Mentally Handicapped - Adult Residential Centres

Annapolis County

Annapolis Adult Residential Centre 53
(Municipally Operated)
Mr. Kenneth Young, Administrator
RR #1, Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
B0S 1C0

Cape Breton Island

Braemore Adult Residential Centre 70
(Municipally Operated)
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
P.O. Box 515,
Sydney River, Nova Scotia
B1P 6H4

Gardner Centre (Municipally Operated) 45
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
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Sydney River, Nova Scotia
B1P 6H4

Mary's Hill Adult Residential Centre 46
(Privately Operated)
Mrs. Joan MacLellan, Administrator
P.O. Box 50
Mabou, Inverness County
Nova Scotia
B0E 1X0

Cumberland County

Sunset Home Adult Residential Centre 145
(Municipally Operated)
Mr. Denis Brown , Administrator
P.O. Box 130
South Pugwash, Nova Scotia
B0K 1L0

Halifax County

Scotia Adult Residential Centre
(Privately Operated) 165
Mr. Lawrence J. McKenna, Administrator
Beaverbank, Halifax County
Nova Scotia
B0N 1A0

Kings County

Kings Co. Adult Residential Centre
(Municipally Operated) 45
Mr. K. Menzies
Waterville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1V0

Lunenburg County

LaHave Manor Corp.
Adult Residential Centre 65
(Municipally Operated)
Mr. Leslie Mason
RR #3, Dayspring, Bridgewater
Nova Scotia
B4V 2W2

Pictou County

Pictou County Adult Residential Centre
(Municipally Operated) 98
Mrs. Susan Curley, Administrator
RR#1, Stellarton, Nova Scotia
B0K 1S0

Shelburne County

Bayside Adult Residential Centre
(Municipally Operated) 30
VACANT
Administrator
Barrington, Nova Scotia
B0W 1E0

Yarmouth County

64

Harbourside Lodge (Privately Operated)
Mr. J.G. McEachern, Administrator
Vancouver Street
Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
B5A 2P5

Specialized Institutional Facilities for the Mentally Handicapped - Regional Rehabilitation Centres

Cape Breton Island

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Braemore Regional Rehabilitation Centre
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
P.O. Box 515
Sydney River, Nova Scotia
B1P 6H4

Halifax County

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Halifax County Regional
Rehabilitation Centre
Mrs. J. Calder, Administrator
P.O. Box 1003
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2Y 3Z7

Kings County

91

Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre
Mr. Keith Menzies, Administrator
Waterville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1V0

Children's Facilities-Community Residential Care Facilities

Cape Breton County

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C.A.S. of Cape Breton Group Home
Mr. Cyril Reddy
226 Whitney Avenue
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 5A4

Liscombe House (C.A.S. Cape Breton) 5
Mr. Cyril Reddy
84 Charlotte Street
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 1B7

Halifax County

Halifax Children's Aid Society 5
Ms. Marilyn Peers
Executive Director
1751 Oxford Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 2Z8

YMCA Walnut Street Group Home 6
Mr. Bill Vangorder
1841 Walnut Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 3S8

Sister of the Good Shepherd Group Home 5
Sister Bernadette Collins
5724 South Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 1S4

Hants County

Family and Children's Services of Hants Co. 6
Mr. Barry Costello
2 Avon Street
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0

Lunenburg County

Special Foster Home 5
Mr. Malcolm Burrill
156 York Street
Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
B4V 1R3

Cumberland County

Ramsay House 6
Mr. Bob Mullins
151 Victoria Street E.
Amherst, Nova Scotia
B4H 1Y2

Shelburne County

Department of Social Services Group Home 6
Mowatt Street
c/o Greg Bowers
P.O. 696, Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3J 2T7

Children's Facilities-Residential Centres

Boys' Residential Centres 11
Mr. Frank Capstick
680 King Street
New Waterford, Nova Scotia
B1H 3Z3

Residential Centre, Halifax 12
Sister Bernadette Collins
1172 South Park Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3H 2W8

Residential Centre-Hebron 12
P.O. Box 95
Hebron, Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia
B0W 1X0

Children's Facilities-Child Caring Facilities

Cape Breton County

Bairncroft 15
Ms. Joan Ingall, Superintendent
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Sydney, Nova Scotia
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Salvation Army Parkdale House Major Alma King, Superintendent 47 Byng Avenue Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 5B9 Phone 562-5827	15

Annapolis County

S.O.S. Children's Village Nova Scotia-Canada Society Margaretville Annapolis County, Nova Scotia B0S 1N0	7

Halifax County

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Children's Training Centre Mr. Ray Francis P.O. Box 970 Digby, Nova Scotia B0V 1A0	40
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Children's Training Centre 40
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Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1V 2Y4

Children's Facilities-Youth Training Centres

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre 198
Mr. John Walker, Superintendent
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Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5C7

Children's Facilities-Training Schools

Nova Scotia School for Boys 150
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Shelburne, Nova Scotia
B0T 1W0
Phone 875-3191

Nova Scotia School for Girls 80
Mr. W.D. MacLeod, Superintendent
P.O. Box 826
50 Aberdeen Street
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5G6
Phone 893-3029

Specialized Nursing Care Facility for Children

Palmeter's Country Nursing Home 27
Children's Unit
Mr. E.G. Griffin
655 Park Street
Kentville, Nova Scotia
B4N 3V7

Child Caring Institution-Private

Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children
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Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B2W 4X9
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Salvation Army Bethany House
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Sydney, Nova Scotia
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Adult Service Centres

Cape Breton Region

The Green Door Society Ltd.
P.O. Box 366, Cheticamp
Inverness County, Nova Scotia
B0E 1H0
Manager: Dennis Le Blanc
Phone 224-2000

Northside Adult Service Centre
Haley Street
North Sydney, Nova Scotia
Manager: Marguerite Ratchford
Phone 794-3517

Regional Occupational Centre
Vocational School Residence
P.O. Box 437
Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia
B0E 2V0
Manager: Trina Hughes
Phone 625-0132

Sydney Kinsmen Resource Centre
P.O. Box 897
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 6J1
Manager: Peggy Beaton
Phone 564-9677

Brass Tack Workshop
Box 444
Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
B1A 6B4
Manager: Shirley Romo

Central Region

Endale Industries
P.O. Box 222
Elmsdale, Nova Scotia
B0N 1M0
Manager: Chris Starkey
Phone 883-9404

Windsor Adult Vocational Services Centre
P.O. Box 1075
184 King Street
Windsor, Nova Scotia
B0N 2T0
Manager: Jim Scott
Phone 798-5160

Beehive Adult Service Centre
Commercial Street
Aylesford, Kings County, Nova Scotia
B0P 1C0
Manager: Bernie Jackson
Phone 427-9443

The Flower Cart
1196 Commercial Street
New Minas, Nova Scotia
Manager: Jim Oulton
Phone 678-2478

Liverpool Adult Service Centre
P.O. Box 100
Liverpool, Nova Scotia
B0T 1K0
Manager: Murray Kirkpatrick
Phone 354-4830

The Ark Workshop
RR # 1, Bridgewater
Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia
B4V 2V9
Manager: Ms. Kelly Moyer
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Wolfville Workshop
Elm Ave., Box 2
Wolfville, Nova Scotia
B0P 1X0
Manager: Kevin West
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Annapolis East C.A.M.R.
P.O. Box 45
Lawrencetown, Nova Scotia
B0S 1M0
Chairperson: Mr. Ken Fiander
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Halifax Region

DASC Industris
10 Ackerley Blvd., Suite 24
Burnside Industrial Park
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B3B 1J4
Manager: Pat Devlin
Phone 469-0856

Halifax Adult Service Centre
3430 Prescott Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3K 4Y4
Manager: Mary Rothman
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Anchor Industries
Sackville Industrial Park
61 Glendale Avenue
Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia
B4C 3J7
Manager: Janice Bewes
Phone 835-5188

North Shore Region

The Bridge Workshop
10 Croft Street
Amherst, Nova Scotia
B4H 2Z4
Manager: Mrs. Audrey Simpson
Phone 667-8433

Heatherton Adult Service Centre
P.O. Box 35
Heatherton
Antigonish County, Nova Scotia
B0H 1R0
Manager: Ms. Jovita Chisholm
Phone 386-2808

Kinsmen Opportunity Centre
874 Summer Street
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 3Z2
Manager: Gerald Smith
Phone 755-1945

Golden Opportunity Vocational and Rehabilitation Centre
25 King Street
Springhill, Nova Scotia
B0M 1X0
Manager: Mrs. Joanne Hunter
Phone 597-3158

CAMR Community Workshop
83 Saint Ninian Street, Box 1330
Antigonish County, Nova Scotia
B2G 1Y7
Manager: Mr. Leonard MacDonald
Phone 863-5024

Butler Adult Service Centre
76 Lorne Street Extension
P.O. Box 396
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5C5
Manager: Mr. Ron Maskill
Phone 895-5917

Western Region

Atelier de Clare
Universite Ste. Anne
Church Point
Digby, Nova Scotia
B0W 1M0
Manager: Noland Belliveau
Phone 769-3202

The Conway Workshop
RR #2
Digby, Nova Scotia
B0V 1A0
Manager: Stanley Moeller
Phone 245-5391

Kay Nickerson Adult Service Center
83 Parade Street
Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
B5A 4B1
Manager: Don Roberts
Phone 742-2238

Sheltered Workshops

J.O.B.S. Unlimited
P.O. Box 1524
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 5V2
Manager: Duncan Randall
Phone 893-8819

New Leaf Enterprises
960 Barrington Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3N 2P7
Manager: Linda Johnston
Phone 429-3420

Lake City Industries
386 Windmill Road
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
B3A 1J5
Manager: Christopher Fyles
Phone 469-0247

Inverness Cottage Workshop
P.O. Box 485, Railway St.
Inverness, Nova Scotia
B0E 1N0
Manager: Caroline McLean
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Annapolis	532-2337
Antigonish	863-3213
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Dartmouth	424-3298
Digby	245-2581
Guysborough	533-4007

Hants	798-8319
Lunenburg	543-2411
Port Hawkesbury	625-0660
Queens	354-3422
Sackville	865-5750
Shelburne	637-2335
New Waterford (Sub-office)	862-6289

Family Court

Halifax	424-3990
Sydney	539-7600
New Glasgow	755-5950
Dartmouth	424-4600

Amherst	667-3598
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